

Creating your own new marine mammal

You will create their own, unique marine mammal. Use the information you have learned about adaptations and senses in Washington marine mammals to brainstorm, design, and model a new species. You can draw, paint, use clay, Play-Doh, building sticks, cotton swabs, etc. to create your new marine mammal.

The model should be detailed and should include a short report about how the animal survives in the Pacific Ocean. You should consider:

- What will they name their species? (Don't forget the scientific name!)
- What will it eat (mouth shape, size, features)?
- What color will it be (camouflage)?
- How long can it dive for?
- What adaptations are needed for this?
- How big will it be (length and weight), and why?
- Will it be able to go on land, why or why not?
- How will it stay warm?
- Will it migrate, why or why not?
- What senses will it use to:
 - find food,
 - escape predators,
 - find mates, and
 - find shelter (if needed)?