

Whale Season: January 2 – March 20, 2025 ★ **Cruise 8:45AM – 10:45AM** from Aloha Tower Marketplace, Pier 8 ♿ ★ **Transportation from Waikiki:** \$19.10 (\$20.00) – Additional usage fee applies for some hotels



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Whale Season
2025 Schedule



See a whale or receive a
"Whale Check" to cruise with us
again. Transportation optional.

Humpback Whale Facts

Nature's
WONDER



Migration: NOAA estimates up to 12,000 humpbacks travel from Alaska to Hawaii.

36 Days: To complete 3,000-mile journey from Alaska.

Hawaii Law: Prohibited to approach whale within 333yd by air & 100yd by land or sea.

Mother & Calf Close Relationship: Often touch one another with their flippers.

Length of Calf: 13-16 feet when born and spend about a year with their mothers.

Length: Adult male humpbacks are 38-42 feet long, while females are 40-45 feet.

Weight: Up to 40 tons. They build up fat during summer to sustain them in the winter.

Lifespan: They are said to live about 80-90 years.

Mammals: Warm-blooded, give birth to live offspring & nourished with mother's milk.

Whale Facts Sources / References: NOAA, National Geographic, WWF, Hawaii News Now and Live Science

HERE'S HOW TO CAPTURE SOME MEMORABLE PHOTOS

Whether you're a professional photojournalist or using your cell phone camera



Use a fast shutter speed to keep images clear. Select outdoor/sports settings on your camera, if available.

Use a non-zoom lens setting while looking for whales. Once you've spotted a whale, keep it in your viewfinder while zooming in.

Look for water blowing high into the air! It means a whale has just surfaced.

Took a great photo? Share it on Instagram and Facebook with #SOHWaleWatch and #StarofHonolulu.