

# Explore the exciting underwater world with the little Porpoise!



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## The Life of a Porpoise in the North Sea

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A baby porpoise opens his eyes to see the light of day! What will he experience in his first years of life? In this atmospheric non-fiction picture book, we watch as the small harbor porpoise takes his first breath. We come along as he explores the mysterious underwater world, encounters sea urchins, shipwrecks, and squid, and hunts herring (yikes - be careful of the Orca!). As the little whale grows up, he goes on his first long journey north to Norway before returning to his homeland, and then even starts a family of his own in the maritime area off of the island Sylt.

This unusual picture book with its large-scale illustrations introduces us to these special and, sadly, endangered marine animals. We learn a lot about their habitat, mating habits, birthing and rearing, social behavior, eating habits, migration, and predators. Included is a double-sided page with further information on the harbour porpoise, its relatives, and other mammals in the North Sea. Highly recommended for all fans of the sea, animals, and the environment!



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