MARINE PROTECTED SPECIES of AMERICAN SAMOA

National Marine Fisheries Service, Pacific Islands Regional Office

MARINE MAMMALS

All marine mammals are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Those identified under the ESA Listing are also protected under the Endangered Species Act.

Common Name	Scientific Name	ESA Listing
Blue Whale	Balaenoptera musculus	Endangered
Blainville's Beaked Whale	Mesoplodon densirostris	
Bryde's Whale	Balaenoptera edeni	
Cuvier's Beaked Whale	Ziphius cavirostris	
Dwarf Sperm Whale	Kogia simus	
False Killer Whale	Pseudorca crassidens	
Fin Whale	Balaenoptera physalus	Endangered
Humpback Whale	Megaptera novaeangliae	Endangered
Killer Whale	Orcinus orca	
Melon-Headed Whale	Peponocephala electra	
Minke Whale	Balaenoptera acutorostrata	
Pygmy Killer Whale	Feresa attenuata	
Pygmy Sperm Whale	Kogia breviceps	
Sei Whale	Balaenoptera borealis	Endangered
Short-Finned Pilot Whale	Globicephala macrorhynchus	
Sperm Whale	Physeter macrocephalus	Endangered

Bottlenose Dolphin

Common Dolphin

Fraser's Dolphin

Pantropical Spotted Dolphin

Risso's Dolphin

Rough-toothed Dolphin

Stenella attenuata

Grampus griseus

Spinner Dolphin

Stenella longirostris

SEA TURTLES

Striped Dolphin

All sea turtles are protected under the Endangered Species Act.

Common Name	Scientific Name	ESA Listing
Green Turtle	Chelonia mydas	Threatened
Hawksbill Turtle	Eretmochelys imbricata	Endangered
Leatherback Turtle	Dermochelys coriacea	Endangered
South Pacific Loggerhead Turtle	Caretta caretta	Endangered
Olive Ridley Turtle	Lepidochelys olivacea	Threatened

Stenella coeruleoalba

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CORALS

NOAA Fisheries is **proposing** to list up to 43 species of coral in American Samoa as threatened and three as endangered under the ESA. This list represents the best available information on species presence at this time but could change as additional information becomes available.

Scientific Name ESA Listing

Acanthastrea brevis Proposed Threatened Acanthastrea hemprichii **Proposed Threatened** Acanthastrea ishigakiensis **Proposed Threatened** Acropora aculeus **Proposed Threatened Proposed Threatened** Acropora acuminate **Proposed Threatened** Acropora aspera Acropora dendrum (unconfirmed) Proposed Threatened Acropora donei **Proposed Threatened** Acropora globiceps **Proposed Threatened** Acropora horrid **Proposed Threatened** Acropora jacquelinae Proposed Endangered Acropora listeri **Proposed Threatened Proposed Threatened** Acropora microclados **Proposed Threatened** Acropora palmerae Acropora paniculata **Proposed Threatened** Acropora pharaonis **Proposed Threatened** Acropora polystoma **Proposed Threatened** Acropora retusa **Proposed Threatened** Proposed Endangered Acropora rudis Acropora speciosa **Proposed Threatened** Acropora striata **Proposed Threatened** Acropora tenella **Proposed Threatened** Acropora vaughani **Proposed Threatened** Acropora verweyi **Proposed Threatened** Alveopora allingi **Proposed Threatened** Alveopora verrilliana **Proposed Threatened** Astreopora cucullata **Proposed Threatened** Barabattoia laddi **Proposed Threatened** Caulastrea echinulata (unconfirmed) **Proposed Threatened** Euphyllia cristala Proposed Threatened Proposed Endangered Euphyllia paradivisa Isopora crateriformis **Proposed Threatened** Isopora cuneata **Proposed Threatened** Millepora tuberose **Proposed Threatened** Montipora angulata **Proposed Threatened** Montipora australiensis **Proposed Threatened Proposed Threatened** Montipora calcarea **Proposed Threatened** Montipora caliculata Montipora lobulata **Proposed Threatened**

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