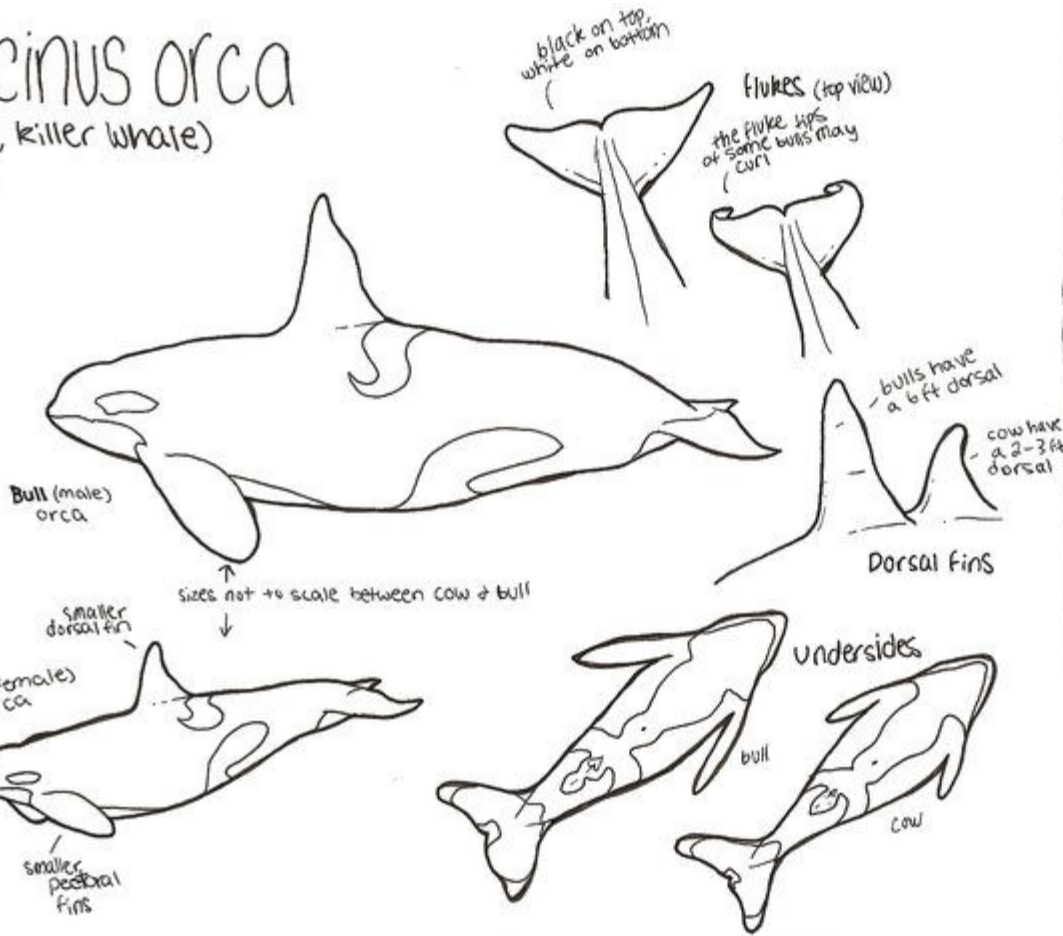


# Orcinus orca

(orca, killer whale)

Hammill  
2009

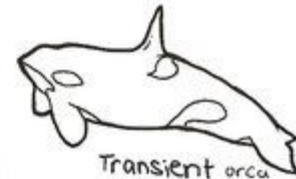


## Northeast Pacific Forms of Orca



Resident orca

- fish eaters + usually have more curved dorsal fin tip.
- live in larger pods than transients



Transient orca

- mammal eaters + usually have more pointed dorsal fin tip.
- live in small pods.

ALSO:  
there are offshore orcas, which look similar to residents. little is known about offshore orcas. however, they live in huge pods.

## ANTARCTIC FORMS OF ORCA:



Type A orca  
- more like the worldwide form of orca, medium-sized eyepatch + no cape extending from saddle



Type B orca  
- large eyepatch + slight cape extending from saddle



Type C orca  
- small wispy eyepatch + bold cape extending from saddle

## eyepatch comparisons

