



The Blue Whale

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The Blue Whale is endangered. The word endangered means they are very rare. There are only 3000 to 5000 left in the world. The year that they were protected was in 1966 by the International Whaling Committee. Previously they were hunted for their blubber and oil. Today their numbers are threatened by ocean pollution and fewer amounts of their main food, krill. The oceans that they are found in are the Arctic, Atlantic, Indian, Pacific and Southern oceans.

Adult Blue Whales eat a lot - about three tons of krill a day. Baby Blue Whales are fed around 380 litres of milk every day and gain 91 kilograms a day. On top of their heads they actually have two blowholes. One to get rid of stale air, the other to let air in.

Let's try and help save the lives of these beautiful and amazing creatures.

