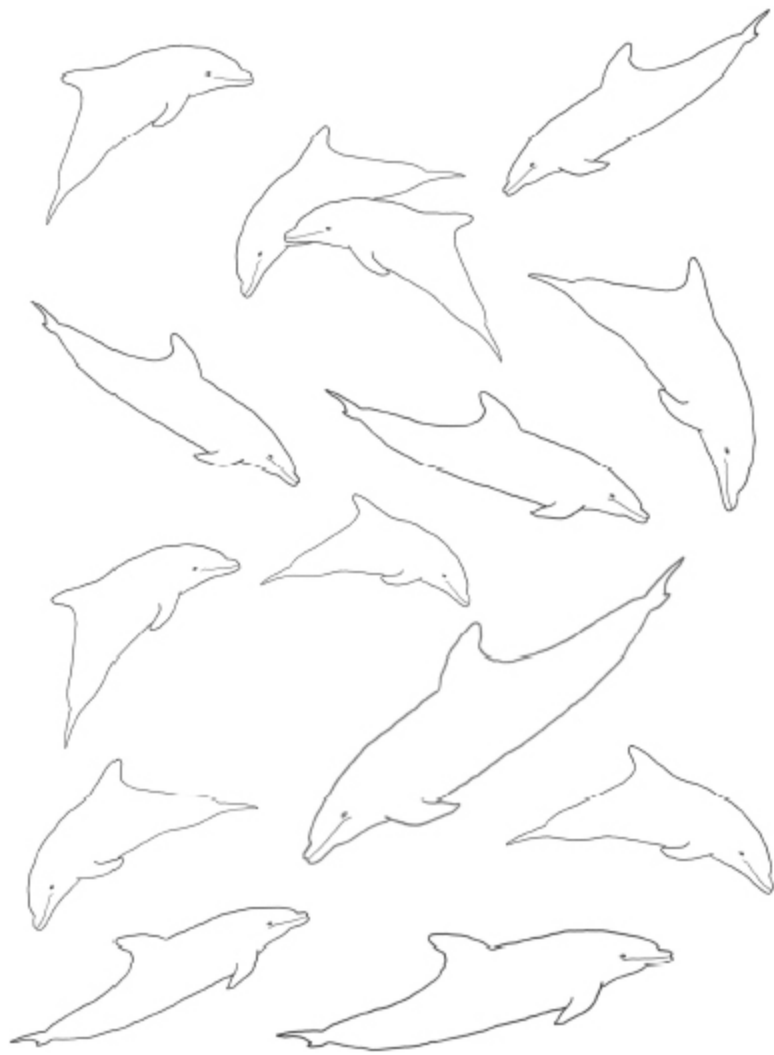


Dolphin in Need

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Many young people like you have asked me how to become a dolphin trainer, like you see on television or at aquariums. I've caught and trained many dolphins, and I learned early on that dolphins belong in the ocean with their families, not in captivity.

You may think dolphins are happy in captive tanks, but they are not. They are used to the wide oceans and swimming long distances every day. They are used to being with their mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers.

How would you feel if some alien picked you out of your house and put you in a small cage for the rest of your life, never to see your family again? That is how dolphins feel.

We can enjoy dolphins in their ocean homes. We should not be catching them and keeping them for our own selfish pleasure.

Don't you agree?

Richard O'Barry, 2013



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