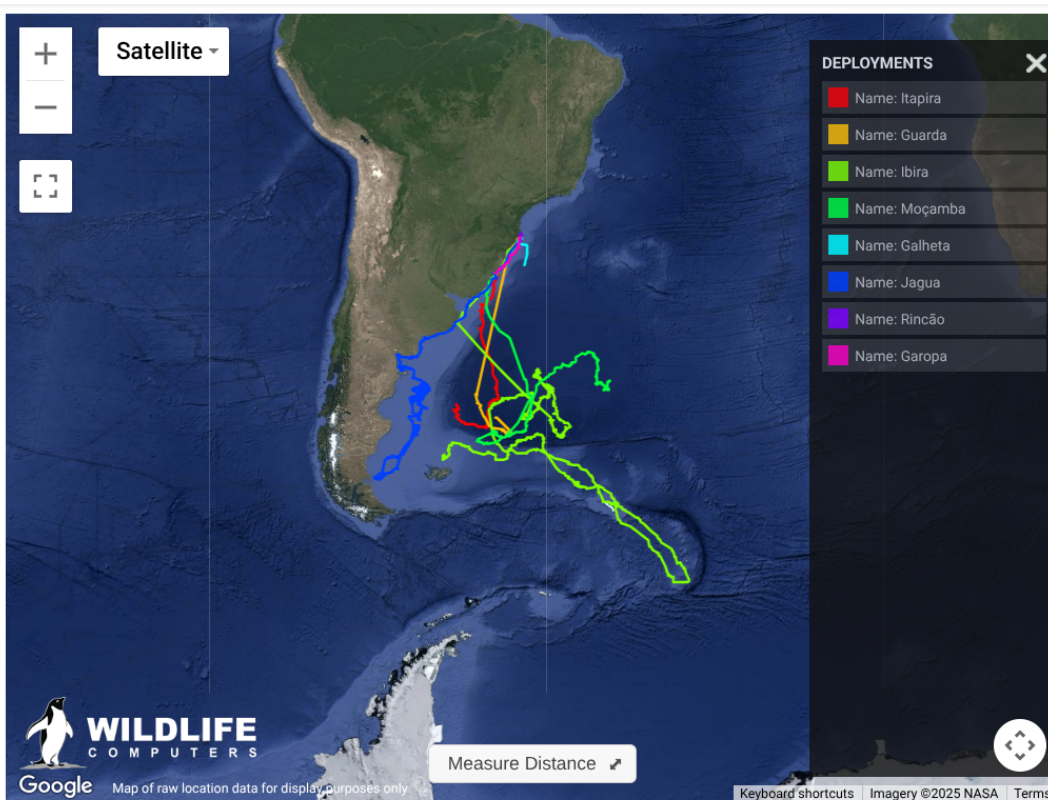


FOLLOWING WHALES

Right whales visiting the Brazilian coast are being remotely monitored by a project led by ProFRANCA and the **Aqualie Institute**, in partnership with GEMARS and the Federal University of Juiz de Fora. The work is conducted using satellite telemetry technology, similar to GPS.

The goal is to assess the movements and habitat use of right whales along the Brazilian coast, as well as their migration route to feeding grounds after the breeding season. Telemetry involves installing devices on the whales' backs—like "earrings" that remain attached for up to several months. Once the device is installed, it is possible to track their movements in near-real time, with information received remotely via satellites.

CHECK OUT THE WHALES MONITORED IN THE 2024 SEASON HERE:



This technology is used by the Aqualie Institute, a pioneer in its development and application. Since the 2000s, it has used telemetry to monitor several whale species, particularly the humpback whale, to discover their migratory routes and understand their feeding grounds in the South Atlantic Ocean. These studies have led to the protection of crucial areas for the species along the Brazilian coast.

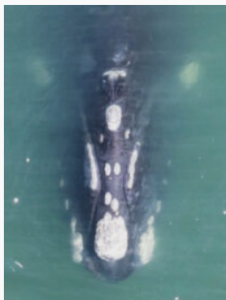
The Argentine project **Seguindo Ballenas**, which partners with the Aqualie Institute, has been conducting telemetry on southern right whales since 2014, with excellent results on the feeding grounds used by this species, which were previously poorly understood. The southern right whale is the only endangered whale species that breeds off the Brazilian coast.

Below, learn about the whales monitored in Brazil. In the 2024 season, we honored the main right whale range, the Right Whale Environmental Protection Area, by naming the tagged whales after beaches in the municipalities covered by the APA.

MOZAMBIQUE

(PTT 87776)

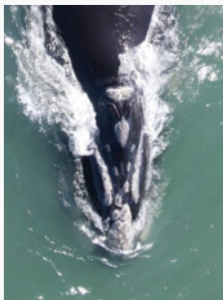
Female accompanied by cub,
cataloged for the first time
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GUARD

(PTT 238454)

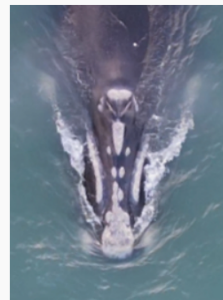
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GAROPA

(PTT 252711)

Female accompanied by cub,
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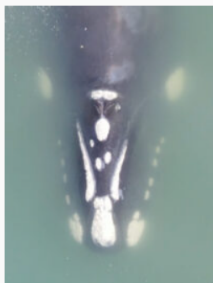
IBIRA

(PTT 254729)

Female accompanied by cub.

Cataloged under number **B074-04** ,

She has been known since 2004, the year she was born. In 2012, already an adult, she was registered with a cub, and since then she has had at least two other cubs in Santa Catarina.



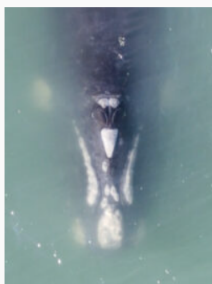
ITAPIRA

(PTT 174315)

Female accompanied by cub,

B710 , cataloged in 2015,

when she was seen with her cub.



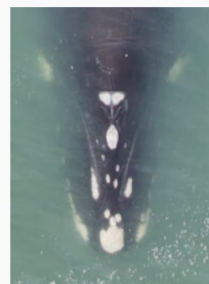
CRUET

(PTT 245816)

Female accompanied by cub,

B830 , cataloged in 2018,

when she was seen with her cub.

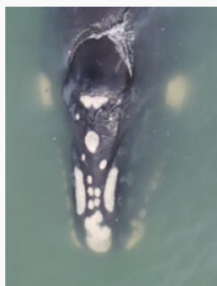


JAGUAR

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Juvenile,

cataloged for the first time
time in 2024.

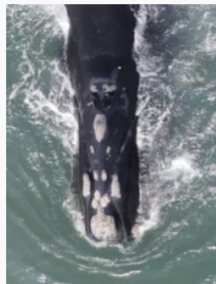


CORNER

(PTT 238453)

Female accompanied by cub,

cataloged for the first time
time in 2024.





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