About the Vaquita

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Hello, today you will learn about the rarest living animal in the whole entire earth. This animal is the vaquita. it is a sea animal that lives in the furthest north-western corner of the Gulf of California in Mexico. There are only 18 of them left in the whole planet. They are the most interesting animal in the world.

One way the vaquita is interesting is how they hunt. You might wonder what do the vaquitas eat and how do they catch it? Well one animal they eat are squid, they are able to catch the squid by using their clicks. The clicks that they make lie outside the hearing range of the fish that they want to catch for example the squid, and then that allows the vaquitas to sneak up on their prey. They do the same thing that they do for squid on 2 other animals called the crustaceans (crust-stations) and the average small fish. That is one way how the vaquitas can be very interesting.

Another thing interesting about the vaquita is their survival skills. The vaquitas live in the furthest north-western corner of the Gulf of California in Mexico as you heard in the introduction. Do we really know how they survive in the sea? Well, the answer is yes! The vaquitas are very shy animals. It may be bad for humans to be shy but its great for fish. Since the vaquita is so shy sharks and orcas don’t notice them as much, which means it’s a lower chance of them getting killed. So that’s why if you ever see a vaquita their likely to be alone or in a pair. That’s another way how vaquitas are the most interesting animal in the world.

The last way that vaquitas are interesting is their similarities with the burmeister porpoise (bur-mi-ster por-piss). The reason they look so alike is the burmeister porpoise is the closest relative to the vaquitas. Like the vaquita and the burmeister porpoise they both have a rounded head and no beak. They also both have strong bodies as well as black patches around their eyes and lips. So now we know where vaquitas get their unique facial features from the burmeister’s porpoise. That was just another way why the vaquita is so interesting.

As you can see, the vaquitas are very interesting animals. My first reason vaquitas are interesting is how they hunt. My second reason why the vaquita is the most interesting animal in the world is their survival skills. Now my last reason why the vaquitas are the most interesting animal is their similarities with their ancestor the burmeister porpoise. Those are just three reasons the vaquitas are the most interesting animal. There are much more reasons to.