

Echolocation: Using sound to hunt

Southern resident killer whales specialize in hunting salmon, and use a range of clicks and buzzes to target, pursue and capture their prey. They also make pulsed calls to communicate with each other. Here is a re-creation with sound of an actual dive by southern resident orca K35, made from a recording in 2014 on a temporary acoustic tag on the whale. K35 was born in 2002 and made this dive between Hein and Salmon Bank off San Juan Island.

