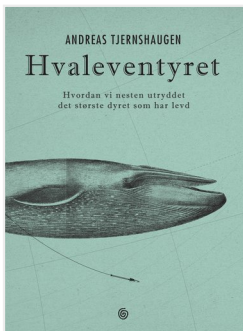


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Whale Tale

Original title: Hvaleventyret. Hvordan vi nesten utryddet det største dyret som har levd
Publisher: Kagge Forlag 2018
Non-Fiction / Nature, History
78000 Words
English sample chapters available.

How we hunted the world's largest animal to the brink of extinction

Whale Tale is a gripping history of the encounter between humans and the world's largest creature. It describes the whales' annual trek from the ice to warmer oceans, the perilous expeditions of pioneer whalers to the polar seas as well as the struggle to save the world's last remaining blue whales. For centuries it was considered impossible to earn a profit capturing these giants of the ocean. This changed when Norwegian whalers began employing explosive grenades, canons and steam boats with strong winches. For the men pursuing whales around the globe, whaling was both a gruelling toil and an adventure. For the blue whale, it was a disaster. Today, the largest subspecies, the Antarctic blue whale, still faces a considerable threat of extinction.

Foreign rights

Residenz Verlag, Germany
Ves Mir, Russia

A gorgeous book (The Secret Life of Small Birds.)

Frankfurt Allgemeine Zeitung

Tjernshaugen succeeds in telling two stories in one book: The first one filled with knowledge, the second like reading an apocalyptic nightmare.

Kjetil Østli, Aftenposten

Andreas Tjernshaugen

Andreas Tjernshaugen is the author of eight books, most recently ***Dangerous Journeys: The Fantastic Tale of Migratory Birds That Fly Half-Way Around the World (2024)***. Topics for his previous books range from the history of whaling to the behavior of common garden birds. Tjernshaugen has a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Oslo, but his non-fiction writing often builds on findings from other fields such as the natural sciences and history, as well as the author's own observations of wildlife, landscapes and people.

Sigbjørn Lilleeng is an awarded and acclaimed illustrator and artist of graphic novels and cartoons. He has studied at art school and has a degree in illustrations from Kristiania University.

Other titles

Dangerous Journeys (2024)
Insects in my garden. A voyage of discovery among butterflies, grasshoppers and golden wasps. (2022)
Finding the Fox. Encounters with an Enigmatic Animal (2021)
The Secret Life of Small Birds (2015)
The Aquarium Book for Kids (2013)