

《上海惊现死亡搁浅鲸鱼，鱼鳍却不翼而飞！》

导读:近日上海附近发现一条重达20吨的死亡鲸鱼，但是让人不解的是，死亡鲸鱼的胸鳍却不翼而飞，难道被人割去做了鱼翅？



A whale that was spotted near Shanghai had been dead for more than 10 days, and its left pectoral fin was possibly cut by people, said an expert after examining it.

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The dead animal was a fin whale, a second-class national-level protected animal, said Tang Wenqiao, a professor from Shanghai Ocean University, who checked the whale on-site on Tuesday morning.

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The whale measured about 22 meters and weighed about 20 tons. Its body was well preserved, except for its missing left pectoral fin, and some parts had already decayed.

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Tang said that judging from the whale's wound, the fin was possibly cut by people, and the whale died more than 10 days.

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Lu Haibing, owner of a fishing boat, said he first saw the whale on March 19, and the left fin was already missing.

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Fishermen reported the sighting of the whale to police at around 1:00 pm on March 20, and were asked to bring the whale back to port.

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Police said the authorities have asked marine biology experts to examine the cause of the death.

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Although this was the largest whale, this was not the first sighting of a whale near Shanghai. In 2002, a small whale was found stranded at Dishui Lake area. But rescuers managed to help it return to sea. In 1970, a whale was found dead near Luchao Port.

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Last week, a sperm whale became stranded and later died in Daya Bay, Guangdong province. An autopsy showed that it was pregnant, and a 110-kilogram male fetus was found dead.

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"It is the first time in the world that an unborn baby has been found inside a stranded sperm whale," said Tong Shenhan, head of the Land and Marine Life Research Institute in Xiamen, Fujian province, who participated in the autopsy.

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