BASKING SHARK

Scientific name: Cetorhinus maximus

Extended gill slits and an enlarged mouth (up to 1m wide) allow the species to filter 1.5 million liters of water per hour.

Basking sharks are so named due to feeding on plankton at the surface (basking in the sun).

They are the 2nd largest fish in the ocean. These coastal-pelagic sharks are highly migratory and are found throughout arctic and temperate waters.

Adults can reach 36+ feet in length - approximately 5 Queen size beds!