

## Dolphins live in family groups, study says

The most common and well-known of their kind, bottlenose dolphins are famous for their roles in movies, television and water parks everywhere. And to the layperson's eye, one bottlenose dolphin might not look any different from another. When you look closer, however, perhaps genetically, there are telltale differences in these creatures.

A new study, published in the *Journal of Heredity*, focused on groups of bottlenose dolphins that live in specific habitats along the eastern seaboard of the US. The researchers compared these to other populations of bottlenose dolphins that live offshore, in the northwest Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean.

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