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This is a real life dolphin that me and my mates accidentally caught while net fishing in the weekend up north. We moved him in a ute and now it's currently in our family friends camp sites salt water pool. He looks happy enough but isn't as 'frisky' as he was when we were moving him. We were intending on keeping him but all we can feed him on is pilchard bait and it's getting very expensive. Would suit commercial aquarium or someone who knows more about keeping these things. Isn't that friendly when you try to swim with him.



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markl (25 stars)

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**Q** u should really set it free i am pretty sure what ur doing is illegal *posted by: [ccmjim](#) (51 ★★) 1:05 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** I'm not sure all dolphins are protected. This one is quite common looking. They keep them in captivity all over the place.

**Q** You don't appear to be a fish keeper, yet in your opinion how deep would my pool need to be to keep "Skippy" in do you think? How much pilchards does it eat a day please. Thanks *posted by: [piaggio](#) (19 ★★) 1:10 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** I can't answer the pool question as I don't know. But the pool we have him in is very large and is over my head in the deep end. We're feeding him 4 packs of frozen pillies a day. The local radio station has done a story about it so some local people have been bringing some extras.

**Q** does he know flipper or any famous dolphins ? has he got tricks ? will you take a cheque from greenpeace or will you wait to be prosecuted buy the nz government , dolphins protected in nz waters i thought !! but hay ill give ya \$2.50 and a tackle box ! ill give him to ya mum she a whale she can teach him how ta swim proper again !! *posted by: [matc11](#) (2 ★) 1:41 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** Cheers for this small insight into your brain. You know as much about New Zealand law as you know about English grammar.

**Q** I can't believe you plan on keeping this Dolphin in your pool unless someone pays you 10K. it's totally sick why don't you call the SPCA? If this is a joke then its seriously not funny. *posted by: [jodessfw](#) (1 ★) 1:50 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** A dolphin isn't an animal - It's a FISH!

**Q** I recently heard of military trained attack dolphins escaping from their aquarium during the floods in New Orleans. Is this a New Orleans dolphin? If so, does it come equipped with guns or lasers? *posted by: [sublime79](#) (2 ★) 1:51 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** Haha - would be 20k with guns.

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**Q** Should you really be selling it for profit, when its an animal that you "caught by accident" that didnt cost you anything in the first place??? *posted by: [blondie7](#) (37 ★★) 1:53 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** ummm, let me think.....Do you work?, does that cost you anything?, do you accept money for it? - Simple economics.

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**Q** Hi, I own a lot of cats. How many cats could I feed with one Dolphin? *posted by: [evltoy](#) (14 ★★) 2:01 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** That's not funny. I promise all those nay-sayers out there that I will only sell this dolphin to a proper aquarium or someone with a really big pool.

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**Q** Hey there, any chance of getting a few more pics. Would like to be able to determine which species it is to determine if it will breed with my Hectors Dolphin that I already have. Wouldnt want any cross-breeding mongrel! Cheers mate *posted by: [lofty14](#) (2 ★) 2:08 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** Sweet as, I'll take some more this weekend. My Mate Gaz reckons it's a bottle nose one - common as muck he reckons. I hear what you're saying about the breeding - How do you look after your one? Where do you keep it? What do you feed it?, Skip doesn't seem too taken with frozen pillies, but doesn't even go near snapper because of the spikes.

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**Q** MarkI, I'm a vegaterian and just like every other veggie I believe everybody around me should eat vegetables. MarkI does Skippy eat carrots? *posted by: [gm14](#) (1 ★) 2:11 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** I've only given him fish, It would be cruel to keep a dolphin and feed him veges. - I also reckon a vego sould actually be able to spell vegetable.

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**Q** I've suggested in a nice manner that u should send it free but is doesn't look like that is happening. i have rang both the police and SPCA and what u are doing is 100% illegal and they are dealing with trade me to find u as we speak. *posted by: [ccmjim](#) (51 ★★) 2:12 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** sent it free? - the words are 'set it free'

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**Q** Actually it's a mammal not a fish.. in case you need clarification here: <http://www.answers.com/topic/dolphin> I think if you looked up your name on this website a photo of a giant ass would come up. *posted by: [jodessfw](#) (1 ★) 2:12 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** it swims in water, and fish swim in water - animals live on land - everybody knows that. Your insults are not constructive.

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**Q** Hi there. What should I do if his blowhole gets obstructed?? *posted by: [condor1](#) (19 ★★) 2:14 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** Do you also have a dolphin?

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**Q** CCJIM dont be such an egg mate. Its not illegal at all. You just wish u had one *posted by: [nimade](#) (16 ★★) 2:23 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** Thanks mate - The information I have is that it is not illegal to care for a dolphin.

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**Q** Can you promise anonymity upon purchase? Am I able to also use the ute which transported the Dolphin? *posted by: [evltoy](#) (14 ★★) 2:27 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** I'm going to be on TV1 news tonight, so I'm not sure you will be anonymous.

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**Q** Correct, if you caught it on purpose or killed it its a dif story, however you caught it in a net and it was obv sick and stressed and would have dies in the wild because of humans placing nets, now you are caring for it and its obv recovering, big ups to you buddy. Letting it go or selling it to a professional keeper are the next options. Good on you dude, most tards like ccjim for example would prob leave it to die out there *posted by: [nimade](#) (16 ★★) 2:28 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** thanks mate - you kill a dolphin they complain, you care for one, they complain - you can't win. Are these people saying it's cool to have small fish or horses and dogs but not dolphins - who are they to judge what you can keep.

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**Q** WTF are you thinking? First of all the dolphin is not yours to sell, you plan on selling this dolphin to an aquarium rather than setting it free to return to its natural habitat, your honestly an idiot. *posted by: [unclelisa1](#) (0 ★) 2:30 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** 'your' - you're honestly an idiot. - want a mirror mate?

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**Q** hi i think it would be really nice if you donated the dolphin to marine world? in napier as they have 2 old dolphins there, atleast ask them they might give you some advise what to do *posted by: [tm-addict](#) (35 ★★) 2:31 pm, Tue 27 Sep*

**A** they can bid like everyone else.

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