

A Whale of a Lie: Gazans' Killing of Endangered Whale Exposes the Myth of Moral Progressivism

The Lie

- Someone who is concerned about the environment, nature and human rights should support the Palestinian cause.

The Truth

- Gaza's moral collapse was on full display when Palestinians butchered a harmless, endangered whale shark — “Ofek” — while global human-rights and environmental groups stayed silent.

Background

- A **10-meter whale shark**, nicknamed “Ofek”, was tracked by **Sharks in Israel** as it swam peacefully along Israel's coast — from Netanya to Ashkelon.
- Palestinians in **Khan Younis** were filmed **dragging and butchering** the endangered animal. Video footage shows what looks like a lynch mob for the whale.
- Whale sharks are **harmless filter-feeders** and **protected under international law**, with populations declining worldwide.
- Gaza has **no environmental laws or enforcement**, and over-fishing remains rampant.
- Israeli authorities had urged beachgoers not to disturb Ofek, calling his presence a **symbol of nature's resilience**.

Truth Explained

- **Gaza is not starving.** Israel facilitates **daily truckloads of food, water, medicine, and fuel** through monitored crossings — aid that **Hamas routinely steals, blocks, or sells on the black market**.
- The Palestinians did not kill the endangered shark because they needed food. Their motivation was simply **kill** was not about survival; it was about **cruelty and creating a spectacle**. Videos show crowds celebrating the “catch,” - not desperate families fighting hunger.
- Gaza's moral compass collapses when political theater takes priority over human decency ([Jerusalem Post](#)).
- Environmentalism, feminism, and animal welfare are all **discarded when they conflict with anti-Israel narratives** (VINnews).
- **Greta Thunberg's June 2025 “Freedom Flotilla”** stunt — powered by diesel and carrying token aid — revealed the same hypocrisy: activists who preach climate purity while aligning with a terror regime that has no regard for human (or animal) life ([JCPA](#)).
- The silence of global advocacy groups proves that intersectionality has devolved into a **hierarchy of victimhood, not a standard of morality**. Causes are judged not by right or wrong, but by who can claim greater oppression. In this framework, **Jews and Israel are cast as permanent oppressors**, no matter the facts — while Palestinian actions, even barbaric ones, are excused as resistance. That moral inversion explains why killing an endangered animal in Gaza draws silence from the very activists who would protest it anywhere else ([Sharks in Israel](#)).
- **No major environmental or animal-rights group** — including **Greenpeace, WWF, or PETA** — condemned the act. This is no surprise. The world stayed silent when **Gazans murdered each other** — we can hardly expect outrage when they **kill endangered animals** ([Jerusalem Post](#)). When the perpetrators aren't Israelis, the global “human-rights” community suddenly loses its voice.
- The cruel and unnecessary killing of an **endangered whale shark** on **October 17 2025** is the latest proof that Palestinians do not believe in either human rights or animal welfare.

Quotes

- “His story is a sad one... He brought us joy for several weeks and reminded us that there's still much to learn and protect in the Mediterranean.” — *Sharks in Israel statement* ([Oct 17 2025](#))
- “Whale sharks pose no threat to humans... Their presence here was a reminder of the beauty and fragility of our oceans.” — *Dr. Avi Baranes, Israel Nature and Parks Authority* (VINnews)
- “No global environmental group condemned the act. Selective morality has replaced universal ethics.” — *Aviram Bellaishe, JCPA* ([JCPA](#))

Takeaway

The killing of the Whale Shark comes at no surprise. The world stayed silent when Gazans killed each other — we can hardly expect outrage when they kill endangered animals. Moral hypocrisy is now the loudest sound in global activism.

Sources

[Jerusalem Post – Palestinians film dragging remains of endangered whale shark](#); [VINnews – Whale Shark Killed Savagely by Gazans Off Gaza Coast](#); [JCPA – Saving Greta from Herself and the West from Moral Hypocrisy](#); [Sharks in Israel – Official Statement \(Oct 17 2025\)](#)