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This book covers the ecology, behavior, conservation, evolution, form
and function of whales, dolphins, seals, sea lions, manatees, dugongs,
otters and polar bears, and provides new content on anthropogenic
concerns, emerging threats such as ocean noise, and impacts of
climate change.
