

Harbour seal pup

The harbour seal is the most common seal around Iceland. The harbour seal can grow to be 2 metres long and weigh around 100 kilograms. The males are slightly bigger than the females. Females usually live 30-35 years and males 20-25 years.

In June females give birth to one pup, when born the pup is covered in grey hair and can weigh up to 10 kilograms. The female nurses the pup for 3-4 weeks, after which they take care of themselves.



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