

Ban Canadian Seal Slaughter

How would you feel if someone takes your baby or you to be slaughtered mercilessly? Well, I'm pretty sure that a normal living thing will never like it, but in Canada it is an everyday practice to slaughter seals. The killing of seals is literally a game in Canada. I believe that all underwater species have their own position in the marine food web and seals are also a big part of it. So I am going to open peoples' eyes towards the way seals are ruthlessly murdered in Canada. Canada is not the only country in which seals are being brutally assassinated. All the countries that are hardheartedly killing seals are Canada, where most of the world's seal hunting takes place, as well as Namibia, the Danish region of Greenland, Norway, and Russia. If we continue to kill the species of seals, it is going to affect the Marine food web immensely and the impact of it will stay for more than a century. So there is a fear of seals becoming endangered if we prolong the killing of seals and hunting seals is certainly an unfair game. In addition to the inherent cruelty involved in hunting, hunting destroys the balance of animal population. Apart from hunting and slaughtering, fur and skin trade is also a form of industrialized cruelty. By this I mean, people slaughter the seals, slit the skin off with a club and trade it just for money. Seriously, don't you think we can lead such a peaceful life without committing such a cruel crime?

Hunting of seals will lead to the endangerment of the species and will pose as a threat to the marine ecosystem. For example, if seals become endangered the animals that feed on seals will also suffer a lot. The Monk seal has already been hunted to extinction. Just imagine if it keeps going like this, all the seals in the world will slowly become extinct. Seals are popular in many cultures. They are often featured as entertainment in zoos and water parks as well as on TV and in movies. Seals are smart, and can learn to perform many tricks if they are trained. Due to their great popularity in zoos and culture, people may not realize how many seal populations are threatened by hunting and habitat destruction. So all of this sums up to the fact that we need seals for many reasons and cannot afford to kill them the way we are.

In addition to inherent cruelty involved in hunting, hunting destroys the natural balance of the animal population. If the hunters hunt too many seals, the balance of the whole marine ecosystem's population will go down in number. That is one point we have to look at because as people we really depend on the marine ecosystem in many aspects.

Predation, starvation and disease are unfortunate but they are nature's way of insuring that the strongest survive. The hunters obviously will hunt only the stronger seals so mostly all will die either by starvation, diseases, and now

hunting is also added to the unfortunate list. If we make an effort to reduce the amount of hunting, then it might make a difference but right now, it looks like the hunting is only going to worsen furthermore.

Imagine a seal being slaughtered to death by a huge club then skinned down till it's just a bag of bones. Well, this is exactly what the hunters are doing. They tear the skin off the seal and then sell the skin just for money. They never realize the fact that money is never more important than a living being's life.

The skin of seals is extremely famous in the glamour world. Eighty-five percent of the fur industry's skins come from animals living captive in fur factory farms. Many people wear coats and other fashion related equipment that is made out of seals. So hunters don't only kill them but also leave the seals looking just like a bag of flesh and bones by taking them to be shredded just for the sake of beauty, glamour, and magnificent *fashion*. The way the fur industry slaughters the seals is also just a pure form of cruelty. They torture them alive then take their lives away. In other words, the animals are forced to suffer from a heart attack while they are still conscious. The seals are skinned and left to rot while fashion freaks guiltlessly wear coats made out of

a living thing's life. Trust me, we've got to do something about this or it'll be too late.

Despite the points mentioned above there is a particular segment of our society which would never adhere to the banning of seal slaughter. They comprise of the materialistic group in society which is extremely fashion conscious. Perhaps, these people also have valid points why they should continue to wear coats mad out of seals' skin. But they should also be ashamed wearing the life of an innocent creature. They should realize that the coat they are wearing cost a living creature's life. Although, the people might be conscious about their taste in fashion but again, that doesn't mean kill seals brutally then skin them to their flesh. Why? Why are we doing such a thing?

Stop this intolerable slaughtering of seals and destroying the marine ecosystem. If we stop the slaughtering of the seals, mother earth will get rid of one of her daily tensions. I am not only saying "ban Canadian seal slaughter" for seals but I am also being selfish and saying that if we don't stop killing them, we will get affected too. Amidst all the problems the world is facing why add the endangerment of seals? Let's just join hands and **Stop Seal Slaughter!**

