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KILLER WHALES – FINS OF CHANGE

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Welcome the new top predator of the Arctic: the killer whale.

In the last 50 years – and at an apparently accelerating rate – one-third of the Arctic ice cap has melted, and more and more open sea is revealed in the summer months. The polar bear's home ground is vanishing from under its feet. Meanwhile, scientists have started noting an ever-growing number of orcas in previously inaccessible Arctic waters during the summer months. And they are attacking not only narwhal, belugas, and bowhead whales, but also seals – the preferred prey of polar bears. As the polar bear's world is shrinking, the orca's world is growing. These changes in the environment have also been noticed first-hand by the local Inuit, who are key players in this story. The introduction of a new aquatic predator impacts their own hunting opportunities. In this extensive documentary, the fast-changing world of the Arctic will be explored as never before.

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