

## WHO'S EATING WHO

## Weaving a Southern Ocean food web

In the natural world **smaller** animals are usually eaten by **larger** animals. You can map 'who's eating who' in a diagram called a **food web**.

Food webs begin with plants – food for the **first animals** in the web.

Some animals only eat plants and are called **herbivores**.

Others eat plants and animals and are called omnivores.

Animals that only eat other animals are called **carnivores**.

Food webs are finely balanced ecosystems. The loss of even one species can break the delicate threads of the web. This can have a serious impact on the environment.



