



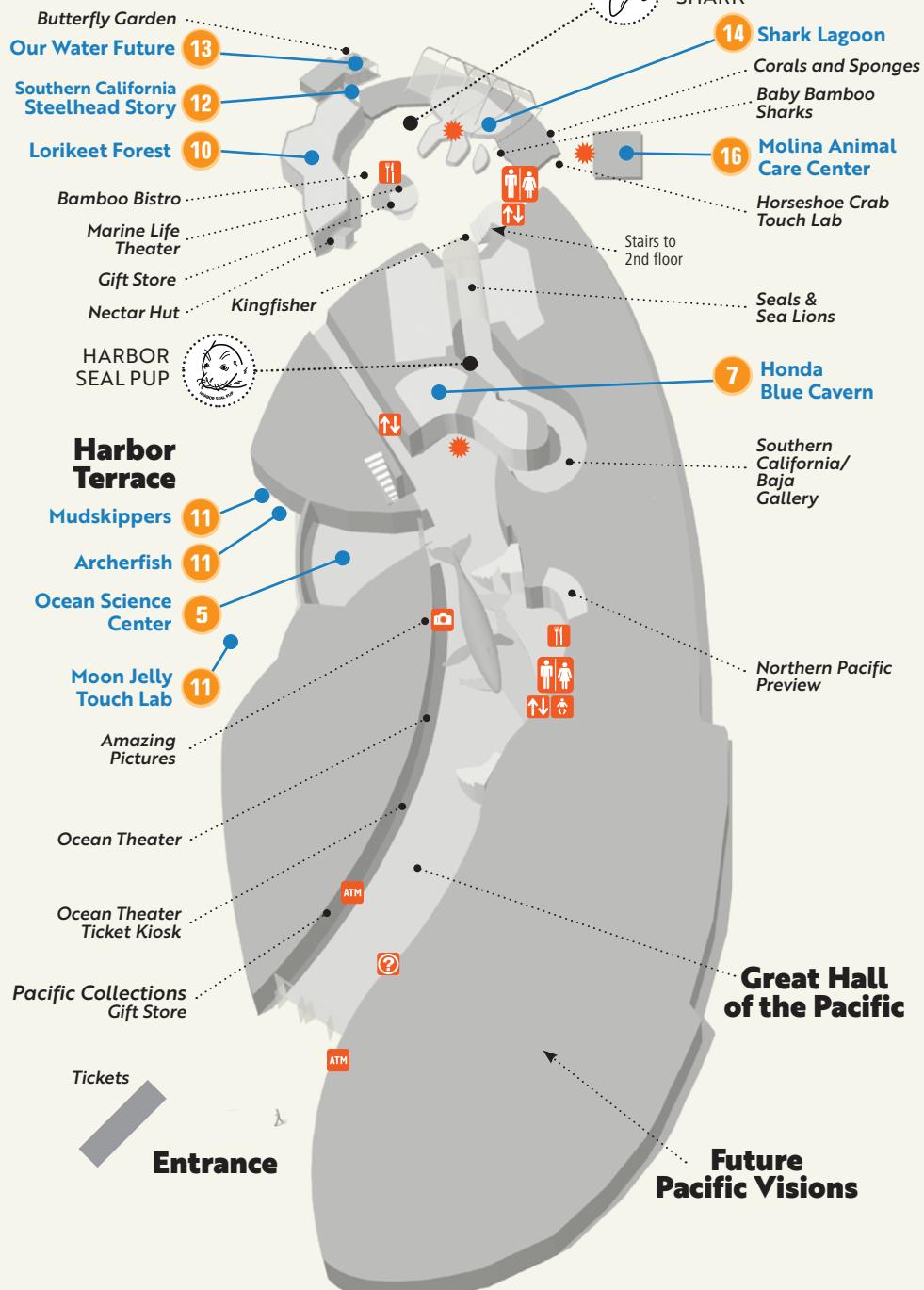
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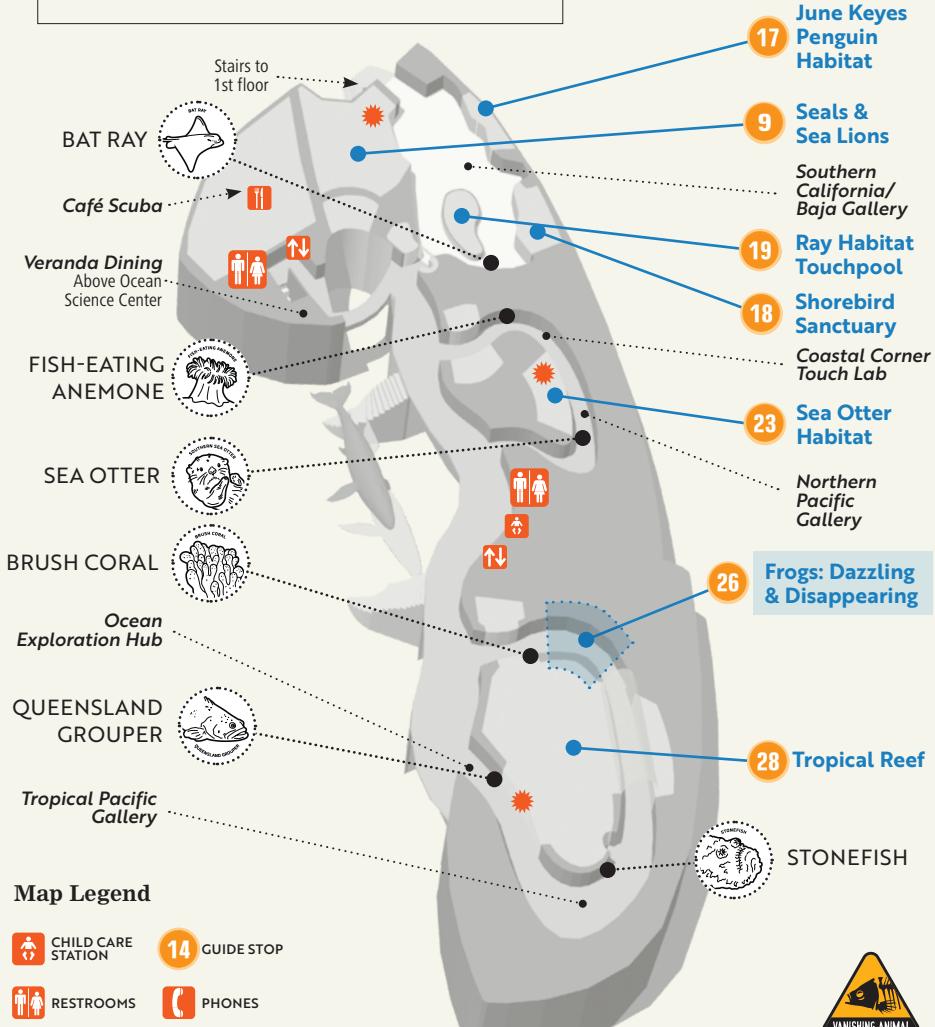
Aquarium of the Pacific



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Vanishing Animal

This symbol represents animals that are threatened or endangered.



Get embossed like a boss! Let us help.

Look for the circle icons on the map to find each of the eight embossing stations. Emboss your corners on pages 9, 15, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29. Show your completed guide at the Information Center for a free surprise!



GENERAL INFORMATION

Welcome to the Aquarium of the Pacific. Use this Visitor Guide and Map to discover the wonders of the ocean.

FIRST AID/EMERGENCIES LOST & FOUND

If possible, please proceed to the Information Center near the main entrance, or contact the nearest staff member.

NO SMOKING OR GUM

Smoking, vaping, gum, and balloons are not allowed in the Aquarium. Please use trash and recycling bins. Do not toss objects into the exhibits.

VISITOR INFORMATION

Visit the Information Center, located in the Great Hall of the Pacific near the main entrance, to inquire about tours, Aquarium membership, and special events.

REFRESHMENTS

Café Scuba on level two serves a selection of sandwiches, salads, and grilled entrees, including sustainable seafood. Bamboo Bistro offers pizza, hot dogs, cold beer, and refreshments. The Coffee Cart in the Great Hall serves coffee, cappuccinos, sodas, and snacks.

ADDITIONAL ADVENTURES

The programs below have an additional cost. Please visit the Information Center for times, pricing, and availability. For advance reservations, please call (562) 590-3100.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOUR

Go behind the scenes on this one-hour guided tour. Visit parts of the Aquarium generally off limits to the public. Go above our largest exhibit to feed the fish. Age restrictions apply.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

This is your chance to feed and interact with the animals with a member of our animal care staff. Age and height restrictions apply. Advance reservations required.

HARBOR TOURS

Tour the Long Beach/Los Angeles Harbors with Harbor Breeze Cruises for a 45-minute narrated cruise around one of the most active ports in the world.

VIP EXPERIENCE

Go on a private tour with exclusive, up-close animal experiences.

WHALE WATCHING

Explore the nearby ocean aboard a Coast Guard-certified boat to seek out local marine life such as whales, dolphins, sea lions, and migratory birds.

RESTROOMS AND BABY CARE STATION

See map for restroom locations. There are changing stations in all restrooms in the Great Hall on levels one and two and in Shark Lagoon. A baby care room is located off of the first floor women's restroom.

VISITORS WITH DISABILITIES

Wheelchairs are available at the Information Center. All exhibits are wheelchair-accessible. See map for the location of elevators throughout the Aquarium. Audio tours and Braille Visitor Guides for guests who are blind and copies of show scripts for those who are deaf are available at the Information Center.

CREDIT CARDS

We accept VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, and American Express.

AMAZING PICTURES

Purchase a unique souvenir of your Aquarium visit with this fun photo opportunity located in the Great Hall of the Pacific.

DIVE IMMERSION

Dive in an Aquarium exhibit. Restrictions apply. Advance reservations required.

OCEAN THEATER

The Aquarium's Ocean Theater features a free film and 4D movies with special lighting, sounds, and other effects for an additional fee.

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VISITOR APP

Download our Visitor App from the App Store or Play Store. It features show schedules, interactive maps, animal IDs, and more.



AQUARIUM WIFI

The Aquarium offers free WiFi throughout the facility. Select the network named AquariumWiFi. No password is required.

AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC 20TH ANNIVERSARY

This year the Aquarium of the Pacific celebrates its twentieth anniversary. Since opening day on June 20, 1998, millions of visitors have experienced the Aquarium's programs and exhibits.

Today the Aquarium of the Pacific is the nation's fourth most attended aquarium and is home to more than 11,000 animals. Join the anniversary celebration! Learn the fascinating history of our animals and exhibits, and meet some new animals.



AQUARIUM UNDER CONSTRUCTION

A special thank you to our 2,368 charter members and eight corporate and foundation partners, including founding sponsor American Honda Motor Co., Inc., for supporting us since our opening in 1998.

OCEAN SCIENCE CENTER

The Ocean Science Center uses the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Science on a Sphere to explore and tell stories about our planet. See Ocean Science Center entrance for posted show times.

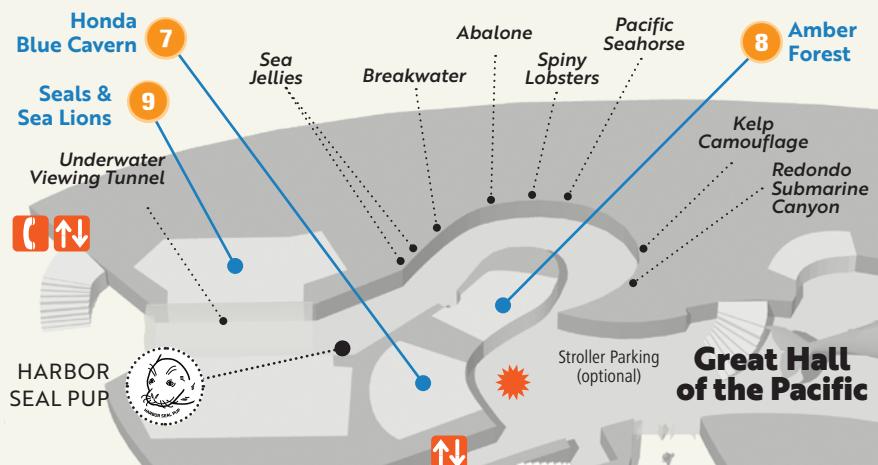
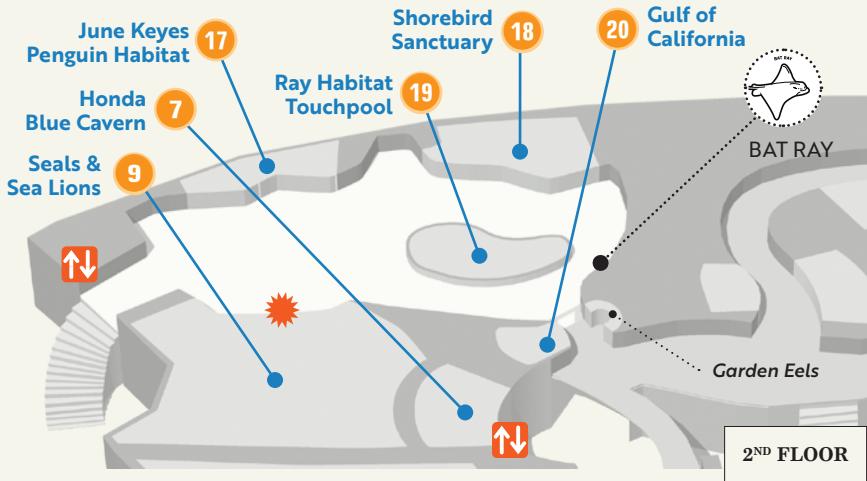
SHOWS

More than a dozen short shows play throughout the day on rotation. Learn about ocean and environmental issues and see their effects on a global scale. Shows feature music, narration, and Spanish language subtitles.



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA/BAJA GALLERY

This gallery represents the Southern California and Baja coasts, between Point Conception in Santa Barbara and the tip of Baja California, Mexico.



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HONDA BLUE CAVERN

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CALIFORNIA MORAY EEL

Gymnothorax mordax



LEOPARD SHARK

Triakis semifasciata

FUN FACT

Supported by charter donor Edison International, the blue whale models hanging in the Great Hall were named "Edi" and "Son." They were built in Arizona and transported in seven pieces.



HALFMON

Medialuna californiensis



CALIFORNIA SHEEPHEAD (MALE)

Semicossyphus pulcher

Presented by:

HONDA



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GIANT SEA BASS

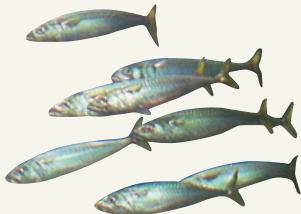
Two of the Aquarium's three adult giant sea bass, a female and a male, have been here since 1998. They are estimated to be about thirty years old. They produced the first successful giant sea bass offspring in an aquarium.



AMBER FOREST

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The Amber Forest exhibit represents the diverse marine life that depends on kelp forests.



PACIFIC MACKEREL
Scomber japonicus



BLUE ROCKFISH
Sebastodes mystinus



OPALEYE
Girella nigricans



BLACK SURFPERCH
Embiotica jacksoni



FLAG ROCKFISH
Sebastodes rubrivinctus



GARIBALDI
Hypsypops rubicundus

FUN FACT

This exhibit offers a glimpse of the colorful garibaldi (California's state fish) and other examples of local ocean life.



CONSERVATION

Abalone Breeding Program

The Aquarium is working with partners to breed endangered white abalone.



SEALS & SEA LIONS

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Seals and sea lions live throughout our coastal waters. Sea lions can be identified by the presence of ear flaps and their ability to walk using their front flippers.



HARBOR SEAL

Phoca vitulina



CALIFORNIA SEA LION

Zalophus californianus



HARBOR SEAL PUP

Phoca vitulina

HARBOR SEALS

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Harbor seals Shelby and Ellie have lived at the Aquarium since before opening day. Ellie is 29 years old, and 22-year-old Shelby is the mother of three pups born at the Aquarium.



Shelby



Ellie

HARBOR SEAL PUP

Phoca vitulina

Harbor seals live in coastal habitats. Pups can swim within an hour or two after birth. They gain weight and strength at a rapid rate, more than doubling in weight by the time they are weaned at four to six weeks old.

How do seals stay warm?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



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LORIKEET FOREST

Our aviary is home to more than 100 lorikeets native to Australia.

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**SWAINSON'S
LORIKEET**

*Trichoglossus
haematodus
moluccanus*



GREEN-NAPED LORIKEET

Trichoglossus haematodus haemotodus



**EDWARD'S
LORIKEET**

*Trichoglossus
haematodus
capistratus*

FUN FACT

Lorikeet Forest opened in 2001, Shark Lagoon in 2002, and the June Keyes Penguin Habitat in 2012.



CONSERVATION

Guam Kingfisher

This critically endangered bird species is extinct in the wild. The Aquarium is part of a breeding program to help restore the population.





**BANDED
ARCHERFISH**
Toxotes jaculatorix

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HARBOR TERRACE

This outdoor space overlooks Rainbow Harbor.

INSECT HUNTERS

Archerfish have the ability to spit a jet of water above the surface as a method of hunting insects and other prey.



DWARF MUDSKIPPER
Periophthalmus novemradiatus



**UPSIDE-
DOWN JELLY**
Cassiopeia xamachana



MOON JELLY
Aurelia aurita

FUN FACT

The Aquarium of the Pacific was the first to develop a large-scale touch exhibit for moon jellies.



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA STEELHEAD STORY

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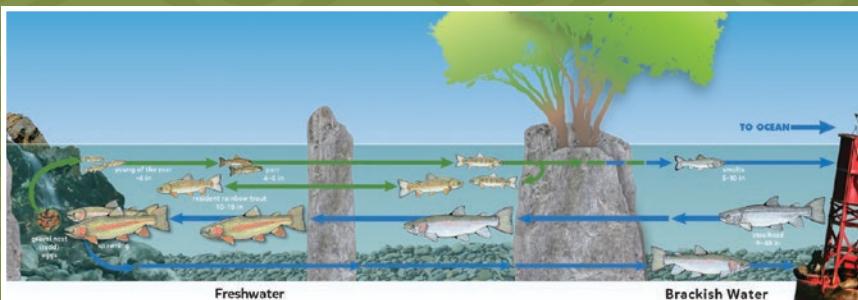
Built in 2014 this immersive exhibit communicates the history of local waterways and tells the story of the Southern California steelhead fish species and its importance in the local ecosystem. After coming close to extinction, in 1997 the Southern California steelhead was listed as an endangered species.

THREATS

Over the years steelhead have faced many threats such as pollution, drought, and dams and concrete channels that have prevented them from traveling upstream.

NATURAL HABITAT

The Aquarium's steelhead exhibit transports visitors along a mountain path to the ocean. These fish were once abundant in Southern California's rivers and streams.



LIFE CYCLE

Steelhead are anadromous, meaning that they are born in freshwater, can migrate to the sea where they spend

most of their lives growing and maturing, and then return to freshwater rivers and streams to reproduce.

OUR WATER FUTURE

Learn more about where our water comes from and ways to conserve water in our daily lives. See how you can save water at home with appliances and landscaping.



INTERACTIVE TABLE

Push a button to create rainfall and see how water flows over land to the ocean. Learn about ground-water storage and flooding.

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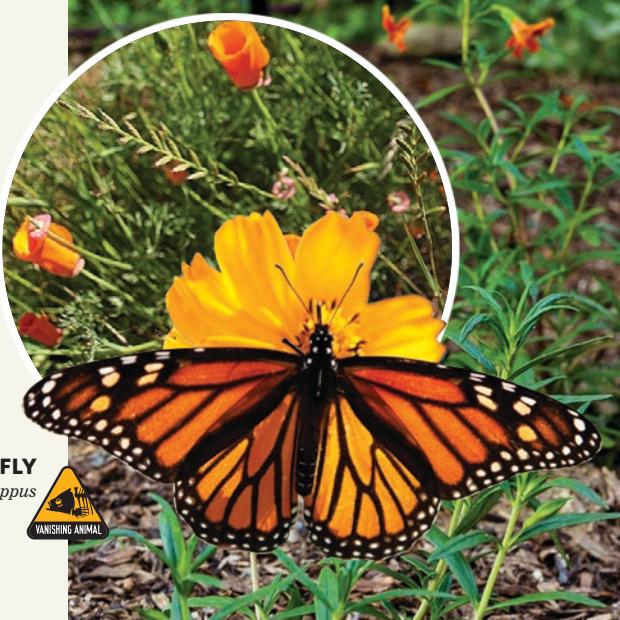
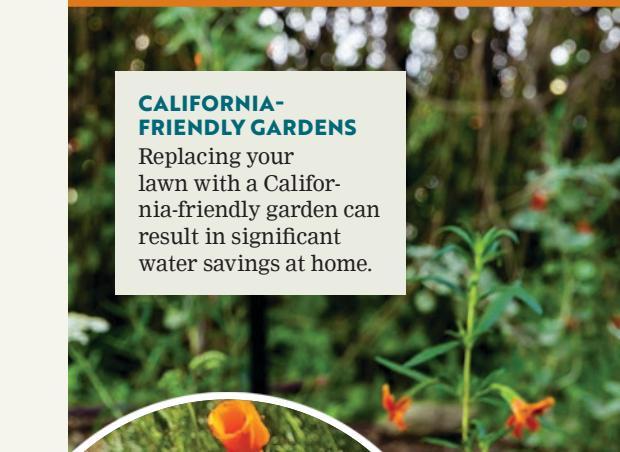
While the Aquarium's attendance and facility have grown over the years, it has reduced its use of water by a third, thanks to measures like water-saving toilets and faucets.

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CALIFORNIA-FRIENDLY GARDENS

Replacing your lawn with a California-friendly garden can result in significant water savings at home.



MONARCH BUTTERFLY

Danaus plexippus



SHARK LAGOON

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Visit Shark Lagoon and learn more about the ocean's top predators.



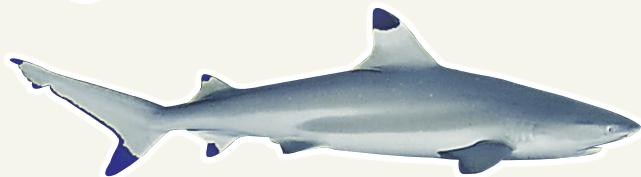
ZEBRA SHARK

Stegostoma fasciatum



RETICULATE WHIPTAIL RAY

Himantura uarnak



BLACKTIP REEF SHARK

Carcharhinus melanopterus



COWNOSE RAY

Rhinoptera bonasus



BROWN-BANDED BAMBOO SHARK

Chiloscyllium punctatum

CONSERVATION

Global FinPrint

Aquarium staff members and citizen scientists log shark sightings in underwater video footage from reefs where sharks live to help track populations and behavior.



SAND TIGER SHARK

Carcharias taurus



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WHITE-SPOTTED BAMBOO SHARK

Chiloscyllium plagiosum



EPAULETTE SHARK

Hemiscyllium ocellatum

SHARKS



Fern the zebra shark and two blacktip reef sharks are among the Aquarium's original animals.



Fern

Over 20 years old, Fern is the mother of two zebra sharks born at the Aquarium after she was artificially inseminated, an industry first.



Blacktip reef sharks

These two sharks can be seen swimming with the other large sharks in the main exhibit in Shark Lagoon. They were originally in the Tropical Reef Habitat, but were moved to Shark Lagoon after that exhibit was added in 2002.



ZEBRA SHARK

Stegastoma fasciatum

The slow-swimming, bottom-dwelling zebra shark gets its common name from its juvenile markings. They are born with stripes that turn into spots as they become adults. They hunt for their food, including snails, crabs, and small fish, at night.

How big does this shark get?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



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MOLINA ANIMAL CARE CENTER

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The Aquarium's Molina Animal Care Center includes a veterinary hospital, animal holding tanks, and a public exhibit.

The Molina Animal Care Center is funded by



Penguin receives annual exam.



Veterinarian draws blood sample.

CORALS & SPONGES

This exhibit highlights the promise for bioactive compounds found in marine animals that could hold cures for human diseases.



RED TREE SPONGE
Ptilocaulis sp.



LETTUCE CORAL
Pavona sp.

HORSESHOE CRABS

These animals play a critical role in our healthcare. Their blood is used to test vaccines, IVs, and implants for contamination.



HORSESHOE CRAB
Limulus polyphemus

JUNE KEYES PENGUIN HABITAT

The June Keyes Penguin Habitat features Magellanic penguins native to South America.

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ROBIN RIGGS

FUN FACT:

Four of the Aquarium's twenty penguins were wild birds rescued when they were found far from their usual habitat.



BREEDING

The Aquarium has had several successful breeding seasons since the penguin exhibit opened in 2012. Ten chicks have been born at the Aquarium.



MAGELLANIC PENGUIN
Spheniscus magellanicus

CONSERVATION

Penguin Conservation

The rescued wild penguins in the Aquarium's colony help to improve genetic diversity among penguins living at zoos and aquariums. Their inclusion in the breeding program ensures genetic health in this population.

PENGUIN MOLTING

Penguins undergo a molt each year in which they lose and replace all their feathers.



ROBIN RIGGS

SHOREBIRD SANCTUARY

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Our Shorebird Sanctuary represents a tidal wetland. See a variety of bird species native to the local area.

CONSERVATION

Los Cerritos Wetlands Restoration

The Aquarium hosts a free habitat restoration event at the Los Cerritos Wetlands on the first Saturday of every month. Volunteers help remove non-native plants and collect trash. Visit aquariumofpacific.org/events to learn more.



ROBIN RIGGS

WHITE IBIS

Eudocimus albus



TOM GREY

BLACK-NECKED STILT

Himantopus mexicanus



BLACK BELLY PLOVER

Pluvialis squatarola

RAY HABITAT TOUCHPOOL

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Gently touch a bat ray or shovelnose guitarfish while learning about these animals from staff members at the center station.

BAT RAY
Myliobatis californica

**SHOVELNOSE
GUITARFISH**
Rhinobatos productus

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BAT RAYS

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Several of the Aquarium's bat rays are original animals. Bat rays can live up to thirty-five years and weigh over 200 pounds.



**What do
these rays eat?**

Find the answer at the exhibit.



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GULF OF CALIFORNIA

The Gulf of California is one of the world's most biologically productive and diverse seas.

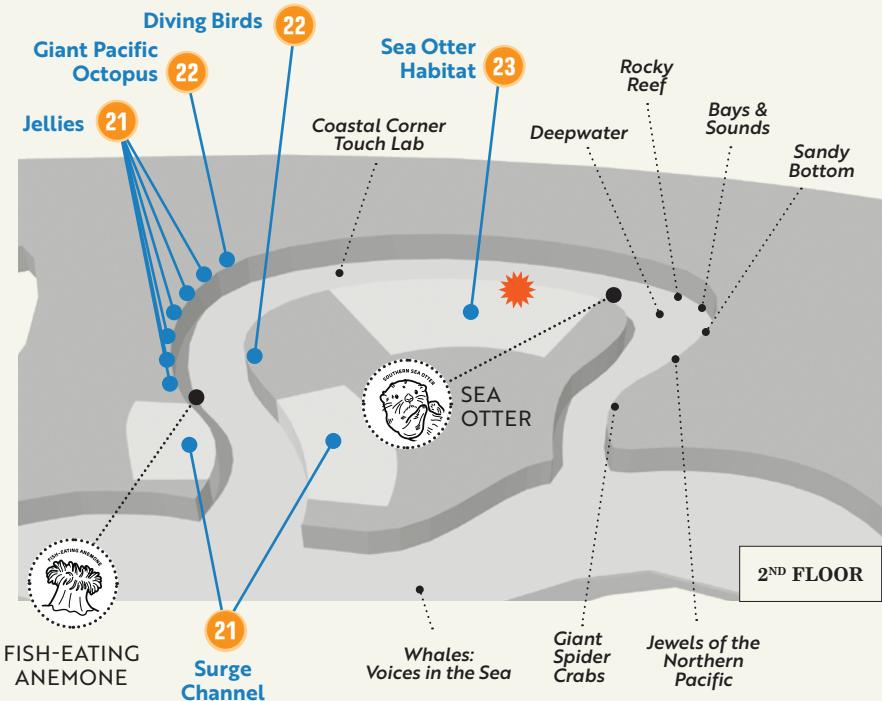


LONGNOSE BUTTERFLYFISH
Forcipiger flavissimus



NORTHERN PACIFIC GALLERY

The Aquarium's Northern Pacific Gallery focuses on the Bering Sea.



SEA JELLIES

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Sea jellies are found in ocean waters around the world.



UMBRELLA JELLY

Eutonina indica



PACIFIC SEA NETTLE

Chrysaora fuscescens

FISH-EATING ANEMONES

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Several fish-eating anemones have lived in the Aquarium's Surge Channel exhibit since opening day. They come from off the coast of Washington State. They have an indeterminate lifespan.



FISH-EATING ANEMONE

Urticina piscivora

These anemones average about 8 inches tall and 10 inches across. While other anemones feed on smaller bits of food that float by, fish-eating anemones feed on shrimp and small fish. They live on rocky reefs and pier pilings.

How do these animals capture fish?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



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DIVING BIRDS

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These birds live in the icy waters of the Northern Hemisphere.



HORNED PUFFIN

Fratercula corniculata



CRESTED AUKLET

Aethia cristatella



PIGEON GUILLEMOT

Cephus columba

TUFTED PUFFINS



(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)

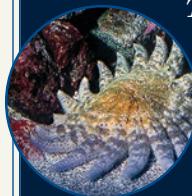
- (A) Speedy
- (B) Val
- (C) Naia
- (D) Monty

Six tufted puffins were the first residents of the Diving Birds exhibit, and four—Speedy, Val, Monty, and Naia—still live at the Aquarium. Two other facilities donated the birds before the grand opening. These puffins form monogamous pairs; Monty and Naia have been together as a pair since 1998.



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SUNFLOWER SEA STARS



The sunflower sea stars in the giant Pacific octopus and giant spider crab exhibits arrived from Washington in 1997. Known for their speed, sunflower sea stars can travel more than 40 inches per minute.

SEA OTTER HABITAT

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The southern sea otter is found along the California coast from Half Moon Bay to Coal Oil Point near Santa Barbara.



SEA OTTERS

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Charlie



Brook

Charlie and Brook are among the Aquarium's original animals. At 21 years old, they are the oldest male and female sea otters living at a zoo or aquarium. Charlie was the first sea otter to participate voluntarily in a blood draw without sedation for a medical exam.

SOUTHERN SEA OTTER

Enhydra lutris nereis

Sea otters, the smallest of all marine mammals, fuel their high metabolism by eating 25 to 30 percent of their weight in food each day. They have the densest fur of any animal. This helps to maintain their body temperature.

Do sea otters come on land?

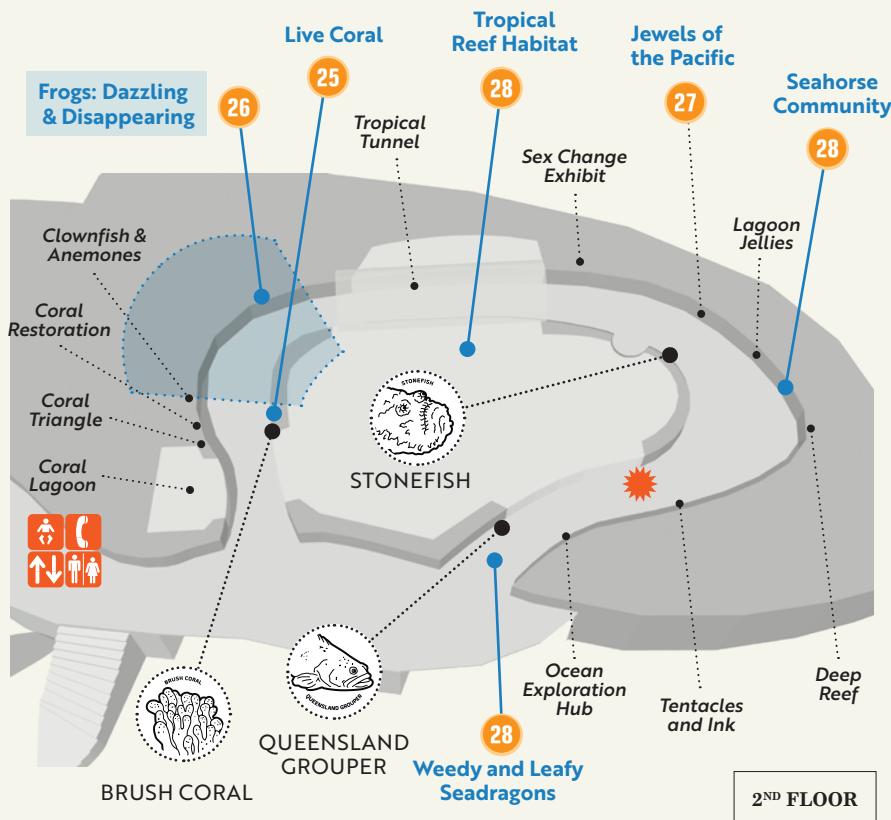
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TROPICAL PACIFIC GALLERY

The Aquarium's Tropical Pacific Gallery represents many tropical habitats, including Indonesia and the archipelago of Palau, the western-most section of Micronesia.



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LIVE CORAL

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Coral reefs are home to many diverse species of fish. Corals are related to sea jellies and anemones. They are made up of tiny organisms called polyps. They also host algae that photosynthesize, producing food from sunlight to benefit the coral. Corals grow in colonies forming reefs.



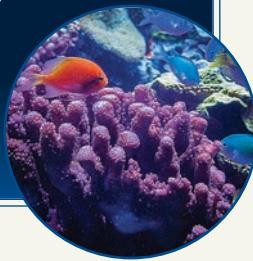
SCROLL CORAL
Turbinaria reniformis

CORAL COLONIES

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The Aquarium's original coral colonies can be found in the Live Coral exhibit in the Tropical Pacific Gallery. This collection was built from outside sources, including donations from local hobbyists.

BRUSH CORAL



BRUSH CORAL

Pocillopora eydouxi

Brush corals live in exposed reef fronts at depths of 15 to 30 feet where currents are strong. They reach up to three feet across and can form large groups.

What other name does this coral have?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



FROGS: DAZZLING & DISAPPEARING

Discover close to two dozen species of frogs and other amphibians and learn about this fascinating class of animals that relies on both land and water to survive.



VARIABLE POISON DART FROG
Ranitomeya variabilis



MOSSY FROG
Thelodera corticale



SOLOMON ISLAND LEAF FROG

Ceratobatrachus guentheri



Theo



GREEN AND BLACK POISON DART FROG
Dendrobates auratus



OLIVE RIDLEY SEA TURTLES



Lou

Theo and Lou are olive ridley sea turtles born in 1995. They were originally seized as eggs by Fish and Wildlife agents at the Dallas-Fort Worth airport. After they hatched at another aquarium, they were eventually transferred to the Aquarium of the Pacific, where they have lived in the Tropical Reef Habitat.

JEWELS

27

These small exhibits feature animals that live in tropical waters.



SCOLY CORAL
Scolymia sp.



DWARF SEAHORSE
Hippocampus zosterae



WARTY FROGFISH
Antennarius pictus

STONEFISH

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Three of the Aquarium's stonefish have been on exhibit since opening day. They came to the Aquarium of the Pacific from another facility, which was looking for a new home for the fish after closing their own stonefish exhibit.

STONEFISH

Synanceia verrucosa

Not only is the stonefish the ocean's most deadly fish, but also it uses camouflage to ambush its prey of fish and crustaceans. It has thirteen spines along its back with a potent toxin. Its venom can be fatal to humans. This fish species is found in coastal areas of the Indo-Pacific.

What animals eat stonefish?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



TROPICAL REEF

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The Tropical Reef Habitat is the Aquarium's largest exhibit, containing 350,000 gallons of saltwater and more than 500 animals.



BLUEFIN TREVALLY

Caranx melampygus



POWDER BLUE TANG

Acanthurus leucosternon



SAILFIN TANG

Zebrasoma veliferum



SEMICIRCLE ANGELFISH

Pomacanthus semicirculatus



CRIMSON SNAPPER

Lutjanus erythropterus



ACHILLES TANG

Acanthurus achilles

SEAHORSES & SEADRAGONS

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Seahorses and seadragons are fish and have rigid bony plates covering their bodies. Seadragons are found only in the ocean waters off the southern and western coasts of Australia.



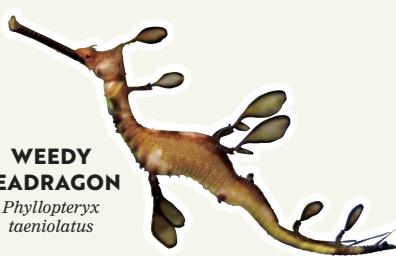
LEAFY SEADRAGON

Phycodurus eques



WEEDY SEADRAGON

Phyllopteryx taeniolatus





**BLUESPINE
UNICORNFISH**
Naso unicornis



**EMPEROR
ANGELFISH**
Pomacanthus imperator



**ORANGESPINE
UNICORNFISH**
Naso lituratus



**SERGEANT
MAJOR**
Abudefduf troschelii



**REDTOOTH
TRIGGERFISH**
Odonus niger



**BLUE-LINED
SNAPPER**
Lutjanus kasmira

QUEENSLAND GROUper

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The Aquarium's Queensland grouper has lived in the Tropical Reef Habitat since 1998. It came from a hotel in Las Vegas, where it had outgrown its exhibit and needed a new home.

QUEENSLAND GROUper

Epinephelus lanceolatus

The Queensland grouper is the largest reef-dwelling fish in the world. They tend to be solitary and have a home cave where they frequently stay. They feed on spiny lobsters, fishes, juvenile sea turtles, and crabs.

How large do these fish get?

Find the answer at the exhibit.



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THINGS YOU CAN DO

Simple changes to your day-to-day activities can make a big difference.

PLASTIC POLLUTION

Eliminate using single-use plastics like drinking straws and plastic bags to help protect the ocean.



CONSERVATION

Reduce Your Impact

The types and amounts of energy we use and the ways we produce food are among the top activities impacting the environment. Reduce your energy use, particularly of fossil fuels, and learn about environmentally responsible food sources to help contribute to a brighter future for our planet.

ADDITIONAL AQUARIUM OPPORTUNITIES

Visit aquariumofpacific.org for more information.



MEMBERSHIP

Apply the cost of your admission to a membership and enjoy the Aquarium in the best way possible—as a member! Members receive unlimited free admission for twelve months in addition to exclusive access, special discounts, and so much more. Beyond the valuable benefits, your membership support also helps protect the ocean and its inhabitants.

EDUCATION

The Aquarium of the Pacific hosts a variety of engaging programs and events for both adults and children.

VOLUNTEER

Do you want to make a difference? The Aquarium depends on volunteers to help us achieve our mission of ocean education and conservation.

GIFT STORES

Be sure to stop by our gift stores for a unique selection of gifts, toys, books, educational items, housewares, clothing, and art.

ADOPT AN ANIMAL

You can adopt an animal to help support the care of our Aquarium family. In return, you receive an adoption certificate, animal updates, and much more.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Host your wedding, family reunion picnic, corporate party, or other special event at the Aquarium.

SEAFOOD FOR THE FUTURE

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Pacific Visions will tell the story of the changing relationship of humans with nature and help us create a better future. To learn more, visit our website.

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OUR VISION

To create an aquarium dedicated to conserving and building natural capital (nature and nature's services) by building social capital (the interactions between and among people).

The Aquarium of the Pacific is a non-profit 501(c)3 institution with a mission to instill a sense of wonder, respect, and stewardship for the Pacific Ocean, its inhabitants, and ecosystems. We rely heavily on the generous donations of individuals and organizations.

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