



MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM

886 CANNERY ROW, MONTEREY, CA 93940-1085

Thank you for visiting the Monterey Bay Aquarium, named the #1 aquarium in the U. S. and the 3rd top rated overall family attraction in the country, according to the first-ever Zagat Survey® U.S. Family Travel Guide released in May, 2004.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Notification: Please call our **Arrival Notification Hotline at (831) 647-2350** ten minutes before your arrival to help provide your group with an efficient check-in experience.

Arrival: If you are arriving by bus, **remain on the bus;** a greeter will meet you at the bus loading zone and escort you to the Group Entrance on Hovden Way. The greeter can direct you to parking.

Payment upon arrival: The group leader should provide one payment for the entire group to the greeter. Payment is accepted in cash, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, check or money order made payable to the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

Departure: We suggest that you establish beforehand when and where your group is to meet at the end of the visit. Groups meeting buses may load at the bus loading zone. Buses may return to the loading zone only when the entire group is ready to board.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Does the Aquarium accommodate disabled visitors? Wheelchairs are available at the Aquarium's Information Desk, no charge.

Does the Aquarium have information in other languages? Exhibit highlights translated into Chinese, French, German, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese, Japanese & Spanish are available at the Aquarium.

Is there a restaurant on-site? Yes, the Aquarium has a full service restaurant and a self service café. Hours are listed on the reverse side.

What is the Aquarium's web site address? www.montereybayaquarium.org

2012 ADMISSION RATES

	General Admission	General Group	Tour Operator
Adult (18-64)		Call For Rate	
Senior (65+)		Call For Rate	
Student (13-17)		Call For Rate	
Child (3-12)		Call For Rate	

Rates are valid January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions, or concerns, please contact Lisa Shipley. Please contact the Sales Center if you are running ahead of or behind schedule, or if you need to cancel your reservation.

Lisa Shipley, Regional Sales Manager: (310) 522-4275

Sales Center: (866)963-9645

Recorded Aquarium Information: (831)648-4800

HIGHLIGHTS

The Monterey Bay Aquarium was named the **#1 Aquarium in the U. S.** and the 3rd top rated overall family attraction in the country, according to the first-ever Zagat Survey® U.S. Family Travel Guide released in May, 2004. USA Today names Monterey Bay Aquarium one of the top 10 places to see before you're 10.

1. Visit “The Open Sea.” Out to sea and on the go – life’s in constant motion in the open ocean.

Visitors will see and hear tales of epic animal migrations across the Pacific through multimedia experiences connecting you with sharks, fishes, sea turtles, marine mammals and sea birds.

2. The Secret Lives of Seahorses. Just one look at a seahorse and it is easy to see why they fascinate people. With a head like a horse, a snout like an aardvark, a belly pouch like a kangaroo, a prehensile tail like a monkey and the ability to change colors like a chameleon, seahorses are not your average fishes. A new, multimedia special exhibition at the nation’s No. 1 family aquarium will share the intriguing stories about seahorses, seahorse relatives and their habitats, as well as the major threats they face in the wild.

3. Visit “The Ocean’s Edge.” A dramatic transformation of the Aquarium's original exhibit galleries awaits visitors when they visit the Aquarium. **“Ocean's Edge: Coastal Habitats of Monterey Bay”** reintroduces visitors to the coastal habitats of California's central coast with a walk-through wave crash, improved touch pools and other experiences that incorporate hands-on approaches and important conservation themes in engaging and exciting .

4. See the Kelp Forest. It's the first and largest living kelp forest at any aquarium, a magical place on a sunny day. The Kelp Forest is filled with fish, marine plants and invertebrates.

5. Watch the sea otters frolic. Our exhibit otters were all rescued as stranded pups and cannot survive in the wild. You can see them above and below the water in a two-story exhibit.

6. Meet our penguins. You'll find them in *Splash Zone*, our family gallery. But the penguins aren't just for the younger set. They appeal to the kid in everyone.

7. Cruise with our sharks. The Monterey Bay Habitats exhibit gives you a close-up view of sevengill sharks and leopard sharks, as well as salmon, yellowtail and other fishes found in Monterey Bay.

FEEDING TIMES

Sea Otter Feeding	10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.
Kelp Forest Feeding	11:30 a.m., 4:00 p.m.
Penguin Feeding	10:30 a.m., 3:00 p.m.
Open Seas Feeding	11:00 a.m. (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday)

Please note: Check out the Aquarium’s on-line only exhibits: Jellies: Living Art, and Sharks: Myth & Mystery.

The mission of the non-profit Monterey Bay Aquarium is to inspire conservation of the oceans.