Habitat Explorers Visit Guide





Diving In:

Did you know? Stingrays often bury themselves in the sandy bottom of their shallow coastal habitat! An animal's **habitat** is its natural home or environment.

What is your habitat? Draw an 'x' next to your answer:

a house

an apartment

a townhouse

something else

Jelly Wall:

Jellyfish aren't very strong swimmers! They often use the currents and moving water in their open ocean **habitat** to move along and wait for prey to come near.

Can you tell which way the current is moving in the jellyfish habitat here at SEA LIFE? What do you think would happen if that current stopped moving?



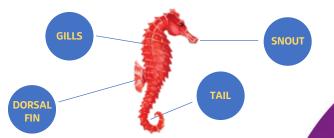
360° Ocean Tunnel:

Wow! You are totally surrounded by this ocean **habitat!** Imagine you are Joy, the zebra shark. What do you observe in this exhibit that make it a good habitat for sharks like you?

Seahorse Temple:

Seahorses have many unique features that help them survive in their **habitat**. They use their snout to slurp up food, their gills to breathe, their dorsal fin to swim (slowly!) and their tail to grip coral and other objects.

Circle the feature you think is most helpful to seahorses in their habitat!







Indian Ocean:

Loggerhead sea turtles like our rescue turtle Ted will actually move through 3 different **habitats** over their lifetime.

They hatch on terrestrial beach habitats. Hatchlings move into the open ocean, where they travel along ocean currents until they reach about 10 years old. This is when they move closer to shore, where they spend most of their life in shallower coastal habitats – including right here off our Florida coast!

Coastal Rockpool:

Swim over to our rockpool to meet some amazing creatures! Rockpools are made when the tide goes out, leaving some water behind in shallow pools on the shore. These are some of the most unique and diverse **habitats** in the world!

You can get even closer and touch the creatures living here! Which creatures did you meet in the rockpool?



Draw Your Favorite!

You explored so many incredible **habitats** today! Which one was your favorite? Draw it in the box!

Bonus challenge:

Draw at least 3 creatures in your habitat.

Conservation Connection:

Conservation is the protection of plants, animals, and our world's resources to prevent them from being lost or wasted.

No matter their size and shape, all sea creatures need our help! Remember to choose reusable products and help keep plastic and other pollution out of wild habitats!





