General Information, Directions, and Tickets

Location
For convenience, take the MBTA Blue Line to the Aquarium stop.

Hours
Summer:
Daily 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Winter:
Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Hours are subject to change. Please check the website.

Ticketing
Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office or online at neaq.org.
For online ticketing, print and bring them to the Aquarium or show a digital copy on your mobile device.

Combination Tickets
Combination tickets are available for the Aquarium, Whale Watch, and IMAX Theatre. Buy a combination ticket and save!

Group Visits
Groups of 10 or more receive special rates by calling our Reservations Department at 617-973-5206.

Memberships
Members enjoy a year of unlimited free admission; speedy entry; discounts at our Café, Gift Shop, and IMAX Theatre; special events; and much more. Join when you visit, and we'll apply the cost of admission to your membership.

Restaurants/Gift Shop
The Harbor View Café offers a variety of family-friendly lunch options indoors. Sip cool cocktails and beers while you eat outside at the Reef Bar, our seasonal outdoor restaurant on the Aquarium Plaza. Our Gift Shop has something fun and educational for everyone.

The Aquarium is a private nonprofit institution. Your admission fee supports our exhibits as well as our education, research, and conservation programs. Aquarium, IMAX Theatre, and Whale Watch programs, rates, and hours are subject to change.

Photos: Penguins, seadragon, harbor seal: Sam Cheng
Turtle: Webb Chappell; Touch tanks: Vince DeWitt

Follow us!

Let Your Imagination Swim Wild!

Just steps from Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market
**Penguins**
Dozens of penguins populate our rockhopper and African penguin colonies. Watch them hop, dive, and fly through the water.

**Giant Ocean Tank**
Wind around the four-story Caribbean reef and watch sea turtles, eels, stingrays, and hundreds of tropical fish navigate this 200,000-gallon centerpiece exhibit.

**Edge of the Sea Tidepool Touch Tank**
Touch a sea star and hermit crab, pet a horseshoe crab, and feel a periwinkle tickle your fingertip.

**Giant Pacific Octopus**
Spot this eight-armed giant in its cave-like home. This captivating animal can change colors depending on its surroundings or mood.

**Seadragons**
These mesmerizing fish in disguise may fool you at first glance. Find them among the foliage and learn where these animals live in the wild.

**Sea Jellies**
Observe otherworldly jellies with no brains or bones, and find out why these dangerous beauties are taking over our oceans.

**Harbor Seals**
Get some face time with our playful harbor seals! Watch them glide through the water and loll around on the rocks in our front plaza exhibit.

**The Trust Family Foundation Shark and Ray Touch Tank**
Feel the smooth wing of a friendly cownose ray or touch a passing epaulette shark in this mangrove-themed tank surrounded by shallow edges and viewing windows.

**NEW Indo-Pacific Coral Reef**
View brilliantly colored tropical fish darting and swimming across the lush seascape of our 9,000-gallon, floor-to-ceiling, concave habitat. The immersive and captivating exhibit, which accentuates the dazzling colors of the ocean, helps visitors learn about these “rainforests of the sea” that are so essential to supporting thousands of species of fish, sea turtles, sharks, and other marine life.

**New England Aquarium Whale Watch**
See whales, dolphins, seabirds, and other marine life aboard a high-speed catamaran with three outside decks for optimal viewing. Visit neaq.org/whalewatch for reservations.

**Simons IMAX® Theatre**
Don’t just watch a film, experience it on the largest screen in New England! Visit neaq.org/films to see our full film lineup.

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