

Discover the Middle East
Longest Underwater
Tunnel



About

The National Aquarium

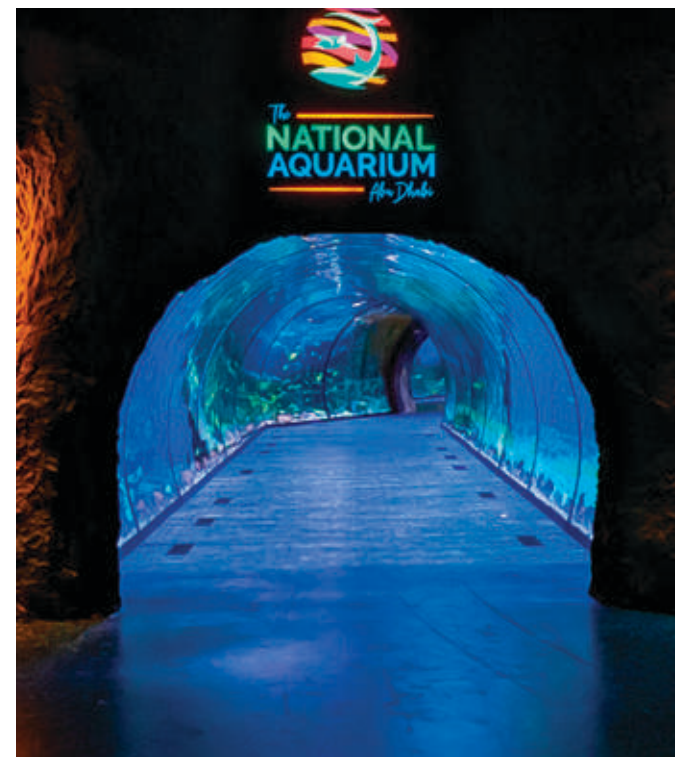
The Longest Underwater Tunnel in the Middle East

The National Aquarium Abu Dhabi has the longest underwater tunnel in the Middle East and is home to 46,000 animals spread across 10 zones spanning from the tropical waters of the Pacific and freshwaters of the Amazon through to the frozen ice caps of the Arctic and the caves of the Mediterranean.

The ten-zone theme hosts more than 300 species. The aquarium houses more than 200 sharks and rays, representing 25 different species.

All of the animals are obtained according to CITES guidelines and are cared for by a team of 80 sea-life experts.

A whole department dedicated to education with a capacity to welcome 50,000 school children a year.





The Location

Located along Rabdan Area, the historic natural waterway bordering the mainland, The National Aquarium is one of the Anchors situated in Al Qana; which is set to be one of Abu Dhabi's most unique and iconic destinations.

Easily accessible from Abu Dhabi island and adjacent to the neighbouring five-star hotels, the development is in a prime location for both residents and tourists. With no high-rise buildings and towers in the immediate vicinity, Al Qana offers a breath of fresh air with uninterrupted spectacular views across the waters to the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque and the nearby Memorial Park.

Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque



 10M Visitors Annually

The Ritz-Carlton Hotel



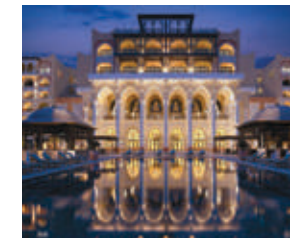
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Fairmont Bab Al Bahr Hotel



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Shangri-La Hotel



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Hyatt Capital Gate Hotel



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Ibis & Novotel Hotels



 560

Traders Hotel

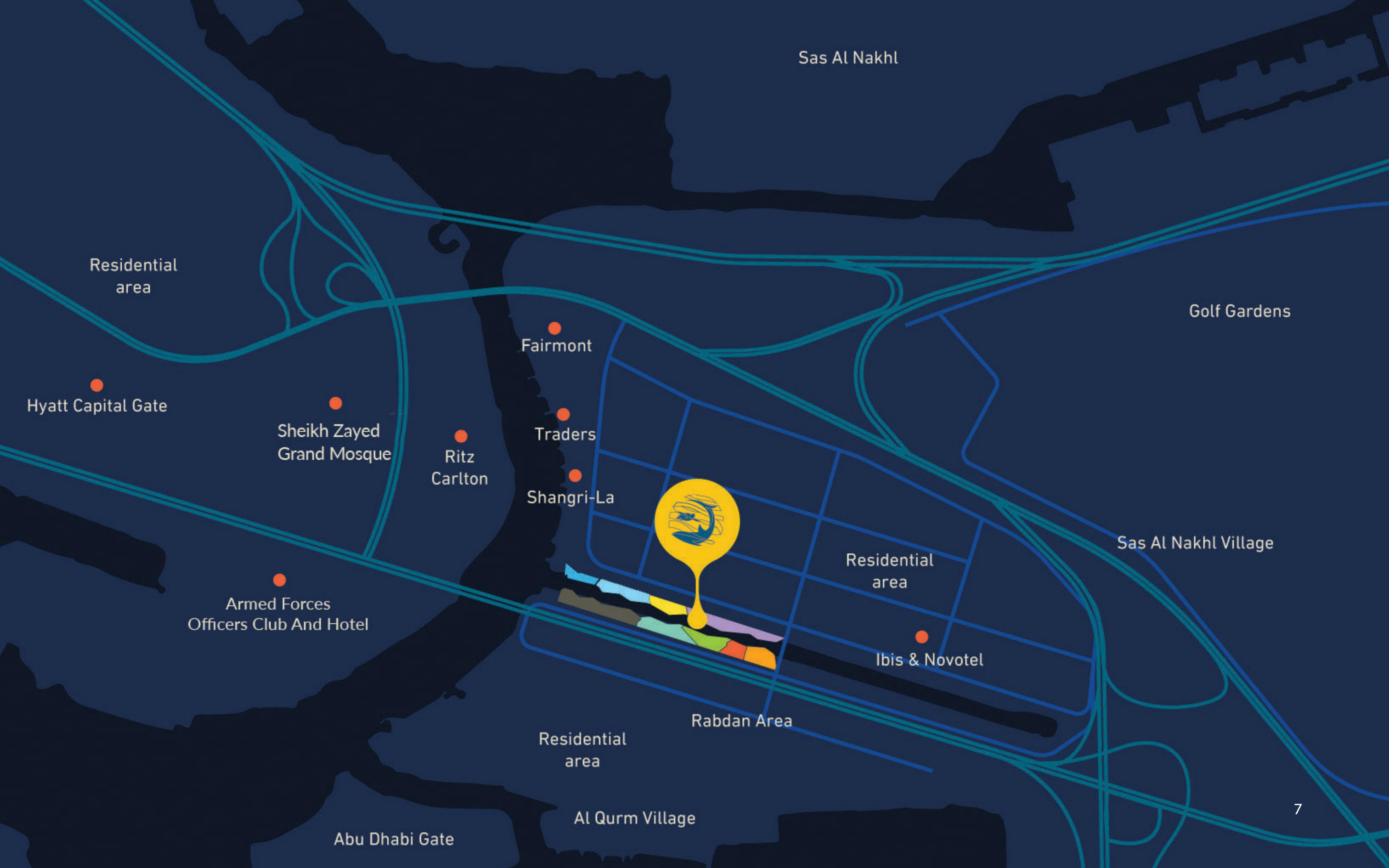


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Armed Forces Officers Club And Hotel



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Sas Al Nakhl

Residential area

Golf Gardens

Hyatt Capital Gate

Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque

Ritz Carlton

Fairmont

Traders

Shangri-La

Armed Forces Officers Club And Hotel

Sas Al Nakhl Village

Residential area

Ibis & Novotel

Rabdan Area

Residential area

Al Qurm Village

Abu Dhabi Gate

Zones

The Project

Creating a moment for people to re-connect with nature

The National Aquarium is designed to provide live experiences, community engagement, and hands-on involvement in preserving the local biodiversity and heritage to build a more sustainable future.

Join us on a journey around the world and step into the mind of a marine biologist when you get up close and personal with the 46,000 magical creatures in our aquarium!

Through its strategic partnership with the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi (EAD), The National Aquarium ambitions to create the largest and one of the most innovative rehabilitation schemes of its kind to protect wildlife in the emirate of Abu Dhabi. The partnership includes the creation of a first of its kind specialized animal rescue vehicle to respond to wildlife emergencies and offer first aid while transporting injured animals to The National Aquarium to receive assessment, treatment, and eventually be released.

Ten Themed Zones



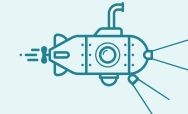
UAE's Natural Treasures



Red Sea Wreck



Atlantic Cave



The Sub



Ring of Fire



Aqua Magic



Frozen Ocean



Flooded Forest



Bu Tinah Island



Behind the Scenes



A World of

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Guest Service

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UAE's Natural Treasures

Discover Pearls Of Wisdom

To pay homage to our historic roots, we're taking you on a deep-dive into the magical world of Arabian pearl fishing. Witness first-hand how oysters and pearls are naturally formed in nature while exploring the rich diversity of animals that inhabit the coasts of the Eastern Arabian Peninsula.





Red Sea Wreck

Unearth Red Sea Ruins

They have the ability to explore some of the most incredible treasures of the sea. To give you a sense of their world, we're taking you on an underwater exploration through a shipwreck where you can come face-to-fin with hundreds of fish and coral typically found in the Arabian Red Sea.



Atlantic Cave

Explore Hidden Treasures

Discover what really lives beneath the ocean. Right across the world cave formations have been created over millions of years through erosion and plate movements. Explore this mystic underwater world to see some of the most amazing creatures hiding in the tiniest nooks and crannies, all looking to find a safe habitat to breed their youngsters.





The Sub

Submerge Your Senses

We'll take you below the surface so you can discover the operations of a submarine while exploring the magical world beneath the waves. Not only will you witness marine life in its natural habitat, but you might be lucky enough to spot our Nautilus! A Nautilus is a marine mollusk - a distant cousin to squids, octopuses and cuttlefish however lives inside its hard, exterior shell.



Ring of Fire

Feel The Force of Nature

The Ring of Fire is the longest chain of volcanoes in the world located in the outskirts of the Pacific Ocean. While the force of a volcano has the power to destroy human settlements, it also enriches the earth with nutrients and other chemical components. Explore the fascinating marine life that can be found in this constantly-changing ecosystem.





Aqua Magic

Breathe Beneath The Waves

As beautiful as they are, oceans can be very dangerous and complex systems that force marine animals to be highly adaptable. Discover the marine life that thrives in these ever-changing environments amongst this awe-inspiring underwater world.



Frozen Ocean

Experience An Arctic Blast

Even though this region is basically a giant ice cap, it's home to a diverse range of animals, particularly marine life. It also plays an important role in helping the planet maintain its temperatures for animals to breed and thrive happily. Come and discover how animals such as Arctic sea birds and fish live in these icy waters.





The Flooded Forest

Wander Through The Rainforest

From the breathtaking canopies, tropical birds and crisp, clean air, Rainforests play an important role in our planet's ecosystem. In fact, they are home to over 50% of the world's biodiversity and yet cover only 2% of the Earth's surface. Step inside the forest floor and discover the many mysteries our rainforests have to offer.



Bu Tinah Island

Delve Into An Island Oasis

With its shallow waters, seagrass beds, tall mangroves and extensive coral reefs, Bu Tinah Island is where a diverse range of marine life thrive. Explore island life in all its glory while supporting the Environmental Agency of Abu Dhabi to spread the importance of island conservation.





Behind the Scenes

Go beyond the glass

Go on an amazing 10-zone journey while facing your fears as you walk our mesmerizing glass bridge. This exclusive, behind-the-scenes experience includes access to the main tank from above and an educational tour from our marine specialists. Learn everything about our rehabilitation centre, animal food preparation, whale shark rescue and more!



An exhibition from  NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

PRISTINE SEAS

BRINGING THE OCEAN BACK





The exhibition highlights the importance of marine protected areas (MPAs) as a mechanism for protecting and restoring the world's oceans. Through the exhibition's narrative, photography, and film, visitors will learn how the Pristine Seas team supports Indigenous Peoples, local communities and governments in the creation of MPAs.



Activities

The Activities

Where every day is different

The underwater world truly is your oyster! From interactive games, arts and crafts, scavenger hunts and animal meet-and-greets, our range of endless activities and summer/winter camps for kids will keep the whole family entertained and educated about our wonderful marine life.

Five Activities



Dive



Encounter



Junior Marine Biologist



Kids Camps



Birthday



Private Events





*Dive inside
the largest aquarium
in the Middle East*

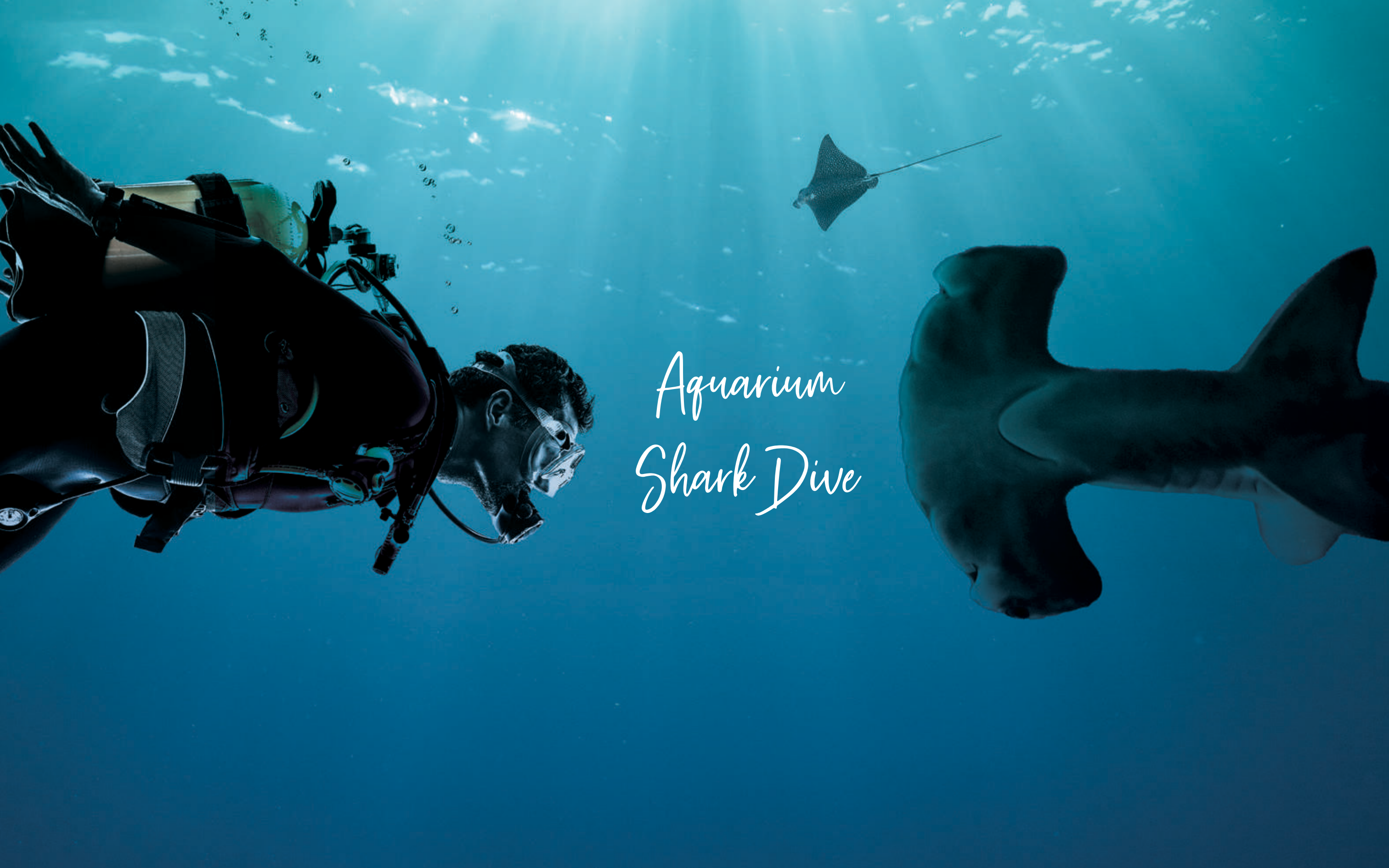
DISCOVER SCUBA DIVING AT THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM, ABU DHABI

First time diving? We've got you covered! Picture this scenario in your head... You are breathing underwater surrounded by thousands of colorful fish while a school of hammerhead sharks swim past you. The dancers of the ocean; the eagle rays gracefully pass by to say hello. You will get to experience all of this in the largest aquarium in the Middle East!

SCUBA DIVE WITH INFAMOUS SHARKS, RAYS & THOUSANDS OF AQUARIUM ANIMALS

Certified Divers can take the plunge and experience the thrill of a Shark Dive in the spectacular National Aquarium, Abu Dhabi. You will experience close encounters with thousands of aquatic animals in the largest Aquarium in the Middle East!





*Aquarium
Shark Dive*

The Animal Encounter

Your Journey Begins Here

Our animal encounter is your once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet, greet and feed our incredible marine life! Whether you want to suit up and swim with the rays, have a chuckle with our puffins (the clowns of the ocean) or hand-feed the animals, there's a jungle, arctic and ocean encounter just for you.



*Experience		
Time	Animal Encounter	Zone
12:00pm	<i>Ocean Encounter - Marine Species</i>	Main Tank
1:00pm	<i>Jungle Encounter - Freshwater Rays</i>	Flooded Forest
2:00pm	<i>Arctic Encounter - Puffins</i>	Frozen Ocean
3:00pm	<i>Ocean Encounter - Marine Species</i>	Main Tank
4:00pm	<i>Jungle Encounter - Freshwater Rays</i>	Flooded Forest

Observe		
Time	Animal Feeding	Zone
11:00am	Puffins & Arctic Birds	Frozen Ocean
11:15am	Capybaras & Monkeys	Flooded Forest
12:30pm	River Sharks	Flooded Forest
1:30pm	Capybaras & Monkeys	Flooded Forest
2:30pm	Sharks & Rays	Main Tank
3:00pm	Sand Tiger & Lemon Sharks	Bu Tinah Jetty
3:15pm	Meet & Greet	Flooded Forest
3:30pm	Piranhas	Flooded Forest
3:45pm	Turtles	UAE's Natural Treasures
4:30pm	Puffins & Arctic Birds	Frozen Ocean
6:00pm	Sharks & Rays	Main Tank

Feeding Schedule

Watch the animals feast

Connect with our marine animals in a one-of-a-kind, hands-on feeding experience. Whether you want to serve up fish to our Atlantic puffins or see the sting rays slurp on squid, make sure you pop by during the feeding times so you can see nature in action.

Kids Camps

Activities

Each day will be different, ranging from games, to arts & crafts, lab sessions, animal meet-and-greets, & much more!
Re-connect with a world of natural treasures & make new friends this summer!





Junior Marine Biologist

After School Program

Kids from 5-15 now can engage in an exciting after-school activity in which they will step into the role of being a Marine Biologist at The National Aquarium.

This hands-on activity is a guided program led by an educator that will teach the kids how to perform activities professional biologists do on a daily basis, such as animal care, selecting and providing the nutrition to different species, monitoring their environment, and how to enrich the life of the animals under human care.

Additionally, the kids will have a unique chance to join efforts with the team in taking care of our lovely temporary residents from the Wildlife Rescue Program, the Sea Turtles.



Private Events

Host at the bottom of the sea

With a sea of dancing marine life as your backdrop, The National Aquarium is the perfect venue for your private event! Whether you want to book a corporate function, intimate dinner, gala evening or wedding, our main tank offers the most unique and unforgettable event setting.





Birthdays

Make a birthday splash

Celebrate your next birthday with over 40,000 guests...sea guests that is! With a variety of birthday packages for all ages let us take care of everything from sea-themed games, catering, aquarium tours and decorations to make your underwater birthday truly unforgettable.



Programs

School Program Education

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Conservation Education is at the heart of everything we do. That's why we offer a variety of exciting programs for schools, visitors, and the community, so we can educate as many people about our incredible underwater world.


For Public and Private schools in the UAE, we offer "Professor's Aquademy", a program catered to children from kindergarten to high school. Inspired by our animal ambassador "Professor" our friendly water monitor lizard – this program educates kids about the different environments and the importance of learning how we can preserve them for future generations.

We take a hands-on, highly interactive approach to keep kids inspired by allowing them to 'meet & greet' the animals and play games designed for engaged learning.

Ready to take them on a journey around the world without leaving Abu Dhabi?

"In the end, we will conserve only what we love; we will love only what we understand, and we will understand only what we are taught."



A large, vibrant blue aquarium tank is the central focus. In the middle ground, a scuba diver in full gear swims towards the viewer. Several sharks of various sizes are swimming in the water, including a large grey shark in the upper center and two smaller sharks in the lower center. The background features a rocky reef structure with green seaweed and coral. The lighting is a deep, rich blue, creating a serene underwater atmosphere. In the foreground, the silhouettes of six children are visible as they sit on a wooden railing, looking into the tank. The overall scene is one of wonder and discovery.

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Aquademy**

1064+ RESCUES

Wildlife Rescue Program

Our Mission is to Rescue, Rehabilitate and Release the Native Wildlife in the Abu Dhabi Emirate

The Wildlife Rescue program is a joint collaboration between the Environment Agency - Abu Dhabi & The National Aquarium of Abu Dhabi.

Our mission is to Rescue, Rehabilitate and Release native wildlife in the Abu Dhabi Emirate; we aim to ensure a world of natural treasures for future generations.

The Environment Agency - Abu Dhabi calls on the community to report injured wildlife or environmental emergencies, through the Abu Dhabi Government Contact Centre at 800 555



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Environment Agency - ABU DHABI

WILDLIFE RESCUE



Packages

VIP PACKAGE

*Designed
For Five Guests*

Taking the VIP Package premium experience to the next level. Purchase your VIP tickets to the National Aquarium and SKIP the line! Walk right up and present your ticket and begin your adventure.

Includes:

- 5 VIP entries
- Meet and Greet
- Private Guided Tour
- Aquarium Journey
- Glass Bridge Walk
- Behind the Scenes Tour
- Bu Tinah Dhow (glass bottom boat)
- Fish feeding
- Refreshments from La Ballena Café





Aquarium Journey

GENERAL ADMISSION

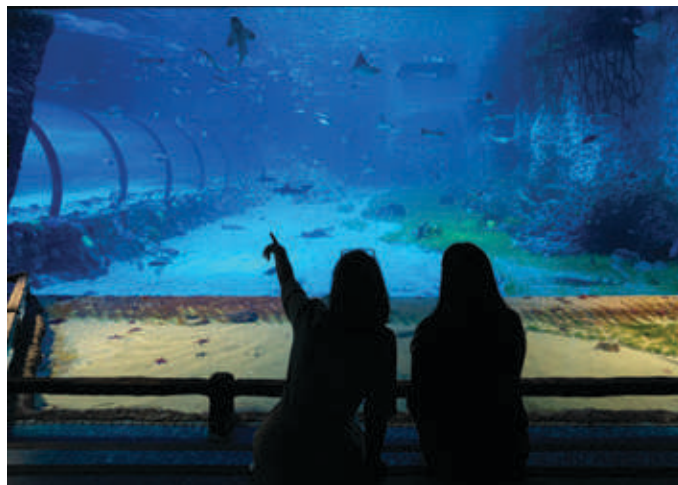
Choosing the General Admission ticket will take you through our 10-zone journey where you will discover an entire world of natural treasures.

BEYOND THE GLASS

Go behind the scenes and explore our 10-zone journey and face your fears with our mesmerizing glass bridge walk.

BU TINAH DHOW

All aboard the Bu Tinah Dhow!
Discover our 10-zone journey, experience the breathtaking view from our Glass Bottom Boat tour.



All Access

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Annual Membership

*Because One Visit
is Never Enough*

Grab your National Aquarium's Annual Pass ticket to access to all of the zones at any time of the year!

Includes:

- Aquarium Journey
- Glass Bridge Walk
- Behind the Scenes Tour
- Glass Bottom Boat Tour



Re-connect with Nature



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