

# **INTRO**

The School Guided visit offer four types of guided tours for school students as part of our efforts to inspire and nurture the next generation. The programs are taught by trained aquarium educators and at the end of the visit the students receive an educational booklet with questions related to the topic of choice.

The Aquarium offers 10 thematic zones. In UAE's Natural Treasures the Aquarium explorers immerse in **UAE's Culture and Heritage** while being surrounded by iconic animals of the Arabian Gulf.

Each immersive zone offers different learning opportunities that can be tailored to the school's curriculum and age of the learners.

Do not miss your chance to visit the official facilities of the **Wildlife Rescue Program** that rehabilitates

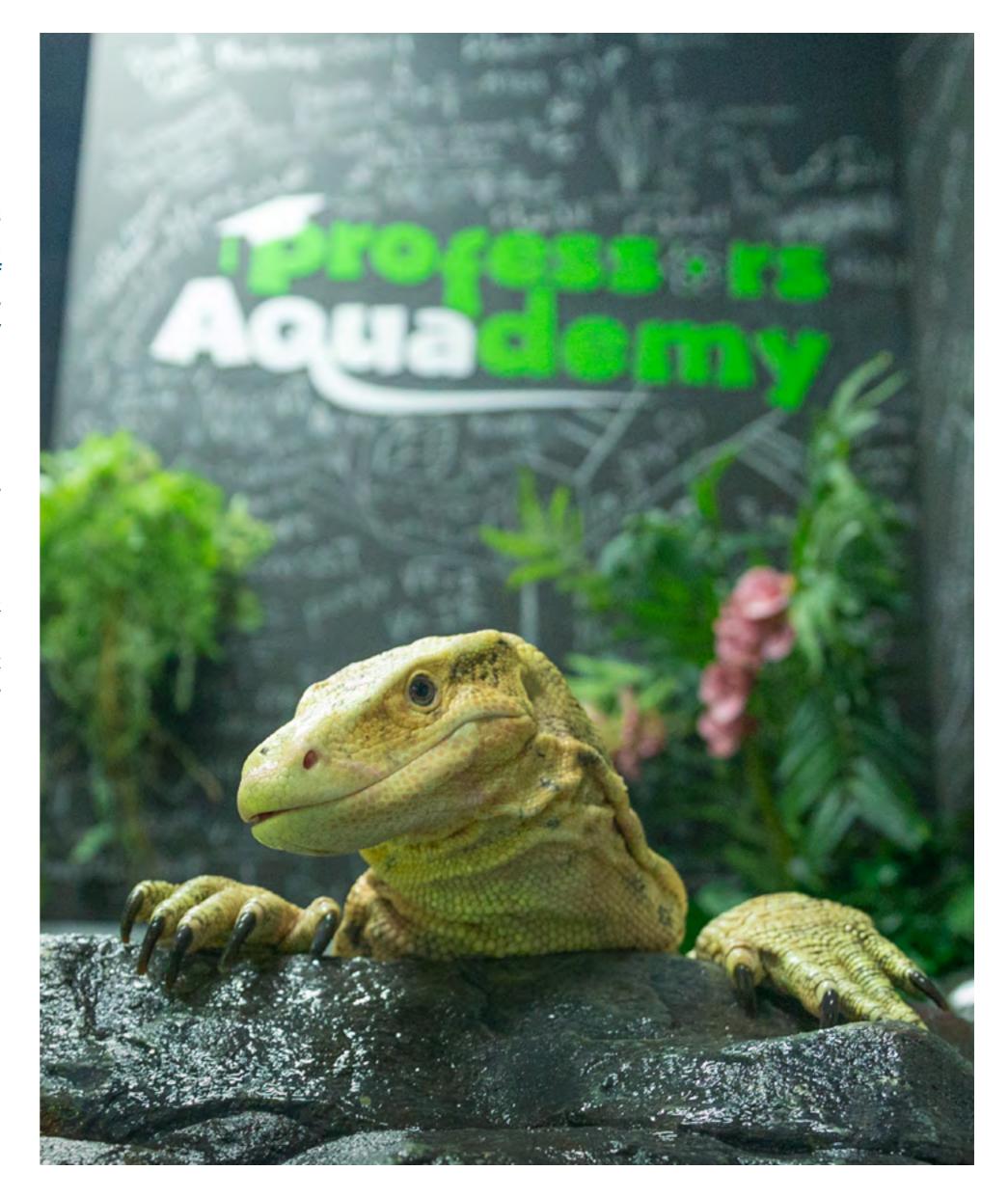
and releases to the wild hundreds of Sea Turtles every year. And visit the exhibit dedicated to raising awareness about the **dangers of Wildlife Trafficking** and learn about the **various breeding and conservation** programs done by the aquarium.

## **MEET PROFESSOR**

Ever had the opportunity to get up close to some of the world's most fascinating wildlife?

At The National Aquarium, we make it possible! The students will have the opportunity to meet the ambassador of the program - **Professor** - a charismatic monitor lizard that is a living link across various aquatic environments from the river to the coast.

Baba Dioum - 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.



# EDUCATIONAL VALUE

Our educational approach includes observation, and experimentation while exploring elements of our natural world. We encourage students to be curious and imagine questions they have never thought of before.

Our Aquarium offers a unique immersive environment that enhances the connection of the students with the animals.

Students at the Aquarium will enjoy a fun learning experience that indeed will make out of them environmentally conscious citizens.



# THE GUIDED TOURS

Aquarium Educators guide the students on a journey throughout the **10 thematic zones**, as well as access to the **behind-the-scenes** and the **Pristine Seas Exhibit by National Geographic**.

#### The 10 Thematic Zones

The students interact closely with more than 46,000 animals who are ambassadors of their taxa and their habitats. They experience interactive displays, learn interesting facts about the zones, and participate in Q&As to further ignite their curiosity and desire to learn more.

The immersive nature of each zone not only showcases the habitats but also adds anthropological elements to highlight the deep dependence humankind has on nature.

#### **Behind the Scenes Tour**

This offers an exclusive opportunity for the students to witness how our specialized professionals take care of the animal residents, and the process of rehabilitation for the rescued sea turtles, the students pass through an exhibit dedicated to raising awareness about the dangers of Wildlife Trafficking and learn about the various breeding and conservation programs done by the aquarium.

At the end of the journey, the students visit the National Geographic gallery - Pristine Seas, where they will learn about Marine Protected Areas and how scientists around the world are working to achieve the goal of protecting 30% of the world's oceans by 2030.

Timings	Price per Student	Souvenir Photo per student	Group Size
Monday to Thursday A - 8:45 am - 10:15 am B - 10:30 am - 12:00 pm C - 12:15 am - 1:30 pm	AED 55	8x10 inches – AED 10 (Add-on) 4x6 inches – AED 5 (Add-on)	25 Students per guided tour
Friday Special  A - 9:00 am - 10:30 am  B - 10:45 am - 12:15 pm	AED 55	FREE	25 Students per guided tour

#### \*These special rates apply only to schools during the academic year.

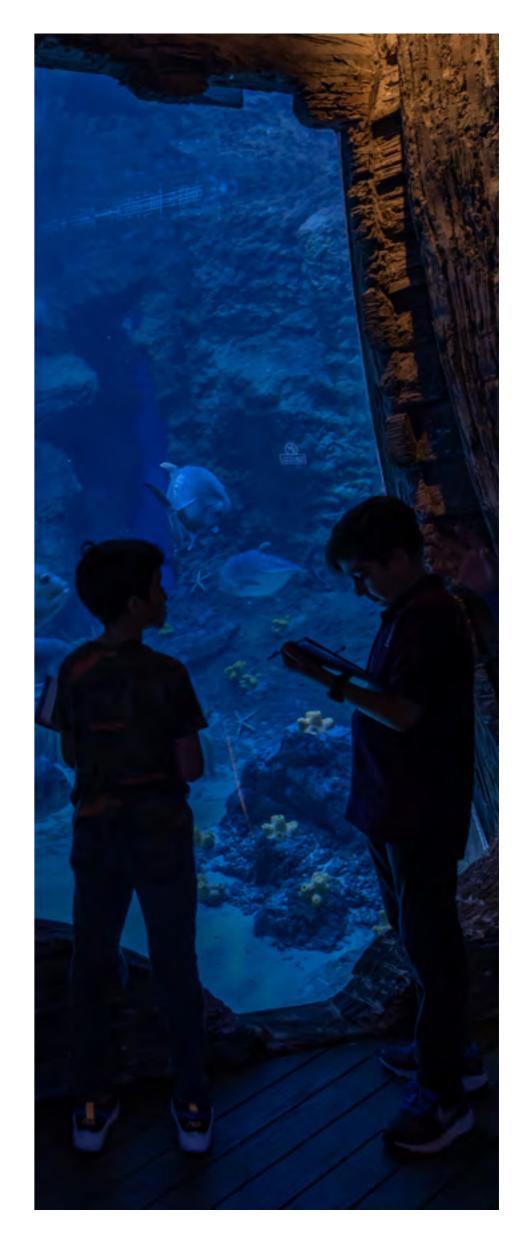
\*SODs and the guardian(s) are FOC. Must present the People of Determination ID provided by the UAE Government.

\*All paying student receive a Free Return Voucher.

\* Teachers are FOC in the following ratios of paying students

KG1 to G2 1:5 G3 to G12 1:10





<sup>\*1</sup> Aquarium Educator is provided as a Tour Guide for every 25 students. The split of the groups is at the teacher's discretion.

# **SOUVENIR PHOTOS**

Take home a snapshot of your exciting day in

Aquarium!



# THE PROGRAMS

The National Aquarium offers different programs tailored to the student age. Each program offers a unique focus of study, see the tables below to find the program that best fits the learning objectives of your school and/or class.

## Early Learners KG1 & KG2

- Guided visit through Aquarium thematic zones
- Activities (optional upon availability)
  - Snake & Ladder (Kids' Zone)
  - Rockpool presentation with Sea Star
  - Theatre play in Bu Tinah
  - Meet & Dance with the Mascot in the Tunnel
- Educational Handouts
- Kids Voucher to return to Aquarium T&C's apply



#### **EARLY LEARNERS**

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVES	EDUCATIONAL HANDOUTS
AQUA DISCOVERY	<ul> <li>Familiarize with the heritage of the UAE and the native species of the Arabian Gulf, fishes, and Turtles.</li> <li>Explore the various aquatic environments and the associated animals.</li> <li>Learn about the rainforest and the important role it plays to give clean air, food, and medicines.</li> </ul>	Shark Origami
MY HOME UAE	<ul> <li>Familiarize with the heritage of the UAE and the native species of the Arabian Gulf, fishes, and Turtles.</li> <li>Learn about the sharks and learn their importance in the oceans.</li> <li>Learn about the different ecosystems that exist in the UAE and how animals adapt to these.</li> </ul>	Pop-up Card
ECO CHAMPIONS	<ul> <li>Explore the various aquatic environments found across the planet, how each is unique and how animals adapt to survive in these.</li> <li>Learn about how oceans maintain balance in the world temperature.</li> <li>Learn about the dangers of plastic in the ocean and the three main actions to protect the environment Reduce-Reuse-Recycle.</li> </ul>	Animal Stickers



## Grade 1 to Grade 9

- Guided visit through Aquarium thematic zones
- Guided Visit through the Animal Hospital
- Tour around the Wildlife Rescue Facilities
- Glass Bridge
- Pristine Seas Exhibition by National Geographic
- Educational Booklet
- Kids Voucher to return to Aquarium T&C's apply
- Available add-on Workshops for Grade 5 and up! - T&Cs apply

## GRADES 1 TO 9

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PROGRAM	OBJECTIVES	EDUCATIONAL HANDOUTS
AQUA EXPLORER	<ul> <li>Identify the origin of Pearls and the socio-economic impact in the region.</li> <li>List the life stages of Sea Turtles and internalize their importance in the environment.</li> <li>Identify the stratification system of ocean and rainforest.</li> <li>Identify the unique environmental factors of the Arabian Gulf that influence biodiversity.</li> <li>Recognize the main threats Sea Turtles face in the wild, and learn the steps for their rehabilitation.</li> </ul>	Activity Booklets  G1 to 3-Aqua Explorer 1 G4 to 6-Aqua Explorer 2 G7 to 9-Aqua Explorer 3
ARABIAN NATURE	<ul> <li>Identify the main ecosystems in the Arabian Peninsula and their characteristics.</li> <li>Identify the origin of Pearls and the socio-economic impact in the Arabian Gulf.</li> <li>Understand the importance of mangroves as coastal habitats.</li> <li>Describe the environmental factors that make UAE unique.</li> <li>Identify the main environmental challenges in the Arabian Peninsula.</li> </ul>	Activity Booklets  G1 to 3-Arabian Nature 1 G4 to 6-Arabian Nature 2 G7 to 9-Arabian Nature 3
ECO-LOGIC	<ul> <li>Recognize and apply the concept of ecological organization.</li> <li>List the levels of Taxonomic ranks.</li> <li>Familiarize with the Sustainable Development Goals.</li> <li>Recognize the global and local efforts on environmental conservation.</li> <li>Categorize the world's ecosystem services and analyze their direct impact.</li> <li>Analyze environmental challenges such as Climate Change and propose imaginative solutions.</li> </ul>	Activity Booklets  G1 to 3-Eco-Logic 1 G4 to 6-Eco-Logic 2 G7 to 9-Eco-Logic 3
SUPER ADAPTATIONS	<ul> <li>Identify the origin of Pearls and the socio-economic impact in the region.</li> <li>Analyze how the Gulf's unique environmental factors influence the native species.</li> <li>Learn and apply the concept of Ecological Hierarchy.</li> <li>Analyze how environmental factors are drivers of adaptation.</li> <li>Learn and apply the concepts of symbiotic relations.</li> </ul>	Activity Booklets  G1 to 3-Super Adaptations 1 G4 to 6-Super Adaptations 2 G7 to 9-Super Adaptations 3

## Grade 10 to Grade 12

- Guided visit through Aquarium thematic zones
- Guided Visit through the Animal Hospital
- Tour around the Wildlife Rescue Facilities
- Glass Bridge

- Pristine Seas Exhibition by National Geographic
- Classroom session with one of **Aquarium Expert**
- Educational Booklet
- Kids Voucher to return to Aquarium T&C's apply

# **ADD-ON WORKSHOPS**

Our add-on workshops aim to create a transformative learning experience that goes beyond conventional schooling. We offer three distinctive topics from which you can choose the one that fits your group's learning objectives.



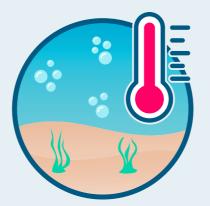
## **Exploring the Microscopic World**

- Learn how to use stereo microscope
- Identify tissue from animal and vegetable specimens
- Group discussion of the findings
- Solve sheet of questions



#### **Clean Water for All**

- Learn the essential role water plays
- Learn about the challenges people face across the world to find portable water
- In the group, follow the detailed step-bystep by the Educator on how to set up the water filtration using simple materials
- Group discussion of the findings
- Solve sheet of questions



## **Ocean Acidification**

- Learn what is ocean acidification and how it affects life
- Identify the sources of ocean acidification
- Hands-on group experiment following easy step-by-step process
- Group discussion of the findings



#### **Terms and Conditions**

 Each workshop has a price of 20 AED per student and a minimum booking of 20 students is required

- This activity has a duration of 20 minutes
- Maximum group size per workshop is 25 students
- Suitable for students grade 5 and up
- Advance booking is require to confirm availability

# **ADD-ONS EXPERIENCE**

Experience an unforgettable school visit to the aquarium with our new outdoor Abra boat ride and Bubble maker school dive, designed to immerse students in marine life like never before



Glide across the picturesque canal aboard authentic Abra boats, adding a touch of cultural flair to the experience, and allowing students to appreciate the traditional methods of transportation and the significance they hold in our community's history.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

- Minimum booking of 20 students
- Additional cost of AED 15 per student
- This is additional 20 mins duration to be added with the tour timings.
- Suitable for KG to G12
- Available during winter month
- Advance booking is required to check the availability.



Dive deep to understand marine ecosystem, ignite curiosity, and inspire a love for ocean conservation. This exciting experience let the students explore marine life up close and discover SCUBA diving. Turning learning into an unforgettable adventure.

#### **More Details**

- Participants need to bring their own towel and swimsuits,
- Participants must be physically fit with no existing medical issues

#### **Terms and Conditions**

- Maximum booking of 25 students
- Additional cost of AED 395 per student
- This is additional 1.5 hours duration to be added with the tour timings.

- Must be confident swimmers
- Separated indemnity must be filled out by parent/guardian.
- Suitable for Grade 7 and up (Min. age 10 years old)
- Advance booking is required to check the availability.

# **BOOKINGS**

- We recommend making the booking at least 1 week before the date of the school visit to ensure availability.
- No advance payment is required to secure bookings.
- The booking confirmations are sent via email to the school.
- Payments and forms need to be processed on the day of the visit prior to the starting time of the tour.
- All bank transfer payment is required to settle prior to the date of visit.
- For rescheduling and cancellations please contact us 48hs before the school visit.
- The programs and prices mentioned in this brochure are only applicable to registered schools in the UAE during the academic year

## For more information

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