

## OCEAN CONSERVATION

The ocean is the largest, most biologically diverse place on earth and it is our job to preserve and protect it. Many species are in danger of disappearing due to the actions of humans. We all have the power to make a difference. As you travel around Adventure Aquarium, you will learn about why marine animals are important and what you can do to help.

### Zone A

Stop by the Ocean Today kiosk to get the latest on the conservation efforts of the Coastal America Partnership to protect ocean habitats.



Diamondback terrapin populations are in decline in New Jersey. What are 3 things you can do to help protect them?



The global population of little blue penguins is in decline. Name one thing that is a threat to their survival.

Name something that is being done to protect little blue penguins.

All 7 species of sea turtles are listed as either “Threatened” or “Endangered”, which means their numbers are dropping and they may someday disappear completely. Name the 2 sea turtle species found in the Ocean Realm exhibit.

Billions of tons of plastic are a hazard for all ocean species. Sea turtles can get trapped in old fishing nets or mistake plastics for food. What can you do to keep plastic out of the ocean?

### Zone B

Of the 17 species of penguins, 13 are listed as “Threatened” or “Endangered”. To help the African penguins survive, Adventure Aquarium participates in a Species Survival Plan. Name 2 threats to the African penguin.

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## Zone C

Mystery animal in KidZone

I am a critically endangered species –there are only a few of me left in the wild.

I live in a very small area near Mexico City. I never grow out of my tadpole-like larval stage.

I am about a foot long and have feathery gills sticking out the back of my head.

Who am I?

I am a (circle one): Fish Frog Snake Salamander



Banggai cardinalfish are a popular home aquarium fish and their numbers in the wild are declining. What is staff at the aquarium doing to help?

Why is it better to purchase fish for your home aquarium that have been bred in captivity and not taken from the wild?

## Zone D



Sea jellies, also called jellyfish, are beautiful but they can be a problem to other ocean species. Their populations are increasing and can become invasive, competing with other species for food. Sea turtles love to eat jellies. How does helping sea turtles also help jellies and other ocean species?

Humans kill more than 100 million sharks each year and their numbers are in rapid decline.

Name two products that humans use that come from sharks.

