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Marine Biologist for a day

– Information Kit –

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Ever wondered what it's like to work at a cool aquarium like SEALIFE Sunshine Coast? Well, now you have the chance to see what it's all about by becoming a Marine Biologist for the day and hanging out with one of our marine experts! Not only will you get a full tour of the attraction, including a reserved VIP seat at our very entertaining seal presentation, you will also get an insight into the inner workings of the aquarium by getting a backstage pass to our Staff Only area and helping out with some of our animal feeding demonstrations.

Marine Biologists for the day will get the chance to take a peek at our Scuba Divers station, and have a look down onto our Ocean Tunnel from above. You will also learn how we breed and grow our delicate Sea Jellies right here on site, and pay a visit to our Marine Turtle Hospital where you may see a turtle or two being treated. If you don't mind the fishy smell you can also enter our food preparation room and see where our animals meals are prepared fresh every day.

You will get to see how busy a Marine biologists day really is, and how much fun it is making sure that our animals are well cared for and that the aquarium is running perfectly!

Come and experience what it's like to work with all of us Ocean Lovers at one of Australia's largest tropical aquariums, SEALIFE Sunshine Coast!



What's Included?

- Admission to SEA LIFE Sunshine Coast
- Morning Tea
- Lunch and afternoon tea (for FULL DAY Program)
- VIP seating at our Seal Presentation
- A guided tour around the aquarium with a marine expert
- A cool Behind the Scenes Tour
- An exclusive chat with one of our divers (full day program only)
- Interactive animal handling and feeding
- A participation certificate
- Souvenir green-screen photo

What to bring?

- Covered in shoes
- A drink bottle
- Your sense of adventure!

Some things that we discourage you to bring are chewing gum, bulky school bags, phones, balloons or small items that can be dropped into our animals tanks, and any unnecessary valuables.

What's the Cost?

- \$50.00 per child for HALF DAY Program (ages 5 to 8)
- \$79.00 per child for FULL DAY Program (ages 9 to 12)

Café Menu

Morning Tea

Choice of muffin, lamington or popcorn
Fruit juice drink or water

Lunch

(Full-day only)
Chicken and lettuce roll OR Ham and cheese roll
Fruit juice drink or water

Afternoon Tea

(Full-day only)
Choice of muffin, lamington or popcorn
Fruit juice drink or water

PLEASE NOTE: Special dietary requirements can be catered for, however please make sure these are provided to our reservations team upon booking.

***Due to most of our café products being made/prepared on a 'nut line', we cannot guarantee everything to be completely nut free.**

Proposed Schedule

The following information details the anticipated schedule for our Marine Biologist Program (Times are subject to change according to show times and our staff and animal availability)

Half Day Program (8.30am to 12.30pm)

- 8.30am – Meet your Education Officer, check in, put on T-shirt & name tags
- 8.45am – Get started on a tour of the aquarium
- 9.30am – Help our aquarists with some of the animal feeds
- 10.00am – Behind the Scenes Tour and Turtle Hospital
- 10.30am – Morning Tea at the Seal Show
- 11.00am – Animal handling and explore the soft play area.
- 12.30pm – Collect photos, finish up and meet back with parents our front

Full Day Program (8.30am to 2.30pm)

- 8.30am – Meet the Education Officer, check in, put on T-shirt & name tags
- 8.45am – Get started on a tour of the aquarium
- 9.30am – Meet the divers and chat about what they get up to on a daily basis
- 10.00am – Behind the Scenes Tour and Turtle Hospital
- 10.30am – Morning Tea at the Seal Show
- 11.00am – More tours around the aquarium and help with animal feeds
- 12 noon – Lunch time
- 12.30pm – Animal handling session and play with interactive screens
- 1.30pm – Afternoon tea and underwater seal viewing
- 2.00pm – Collect photos and last chance to play/explore
- 2.30pm – Finish and meet back with parents out front



Group Sizes

To ensure our Marine biologists for the Day get the most out of their experience, we take a maximum number of 10 children per education officer. Bookings are on a first come first serve basis, but if we get lots of enquiries we may open up a second group for that day.

Important Venue Information



Yes! SEALIFE Sunshine Coast has Public Liability Cover



Yes! Our staff are trained in First Aid and hold current Blue Cards (working with children)



Yes! SEALIFE Sunshine Coast is fully undercover. No need for hats or sunscreen.

On The Day

Arrival

When you arrive, please escort your child into the front entrance of the attraction where you will meet our staff for sign-in. Once you have completed your form you may leave your child with us until pick-up.

Parent Attendance

While parents are welcome to attend the program with their children, we find that our little Marine Biologists thrive even more when given the responsibility of being left alone with our staff for their very own adventure. Parents wishing to partake in the program are still welcome to do so and will be required to pay the full child price. Alternatively, you are more than welcome to pay general admission for yourself and explore the rest of the attraction at your leisure while your child is taken care of by our staff. You can then meet up again later once the program finishes.

Running Late?

If you are running more than 15 mins late, please let us know! Call our reception staff on 5458 6234. Please note: Unfortunately we cannot extend your program if you are running late as our staff may be rostered on in other areas.

How to Find Us

SEALIFE Sunshine coast is located on the corner of Parkyn Parade and River Esplanade, directly behind the Mooloolaba Surf Club. We are approximately one hour and 15mins north of Brisbane and one hour South of Gympie.

Take the exits from the Bruce Highway (M1) for the Sunshine Motorway (70) and follow the tourist signs to SEALIFE Sunshine Coast (or Underwater World).



Contact Details

Street Address: Corner of Parkyn Parade & River Esplanade, Mooloolaba

Postal Address: PO Box 511, Mooloolaba, QLD, 4557

Phone: Reservations Team - 07 5458 6226 (Mon to Fri, 9am – 3pm)

Email: SLSCreservations@merlinentertainments.com.au

Website: www.sealifesunshinecoast.com.au



Parent Checklist

Please feel free to use this handy checklist to assist you with your booking process to ensure it all runs smoothly!

Have you:

- Received and reviewed the SEALIFE Policies and Code of Conduct
- Submitted your Marine Biologist for a Day Booking form to Reservations
- Completed payment for your program
- Informed your child of expectations and behaviour
- Confirmed all food orders with Reservations and notified us of dietaries or allergies
- Notified SEALIFE of any special needs or behavioural issues.
- Packed any special medications for your child if they require them on the day.