



## **Ways you can help SeaWorld protect wild animals and wild places**

From the food we eat to the air we breathe, nearly all life on this planet depends on our ocean. That means conserving and caring for the sea and the animals living in it begins at home, and with us.

At SeaWorld we are taking action daily to protect animals and the wild wonders of world, and inspiring guests to take action and join us in that mission. While we're excited for the work that's been done and the successes of Rising Tide Conservation, there's much more work to do, and you play an important role.

Here are just a few ways that you can take action with SeaWorld:

1. Visit your local accredited zoo or aquarium. Not only are they involved in important conservation work, but your visit helps ensure that work continues, and inspire your family to care for animals and our planet. Association of Zoos & Aquariums-accredited facility also participate in the Saving Animals from Extinction (SAFE) program. Learn more about AZA SAFE here: [aza.org/aza-safe](http://aza.org/aza-safe)
2. Support conservation programs like Rising Tide, which are committed to protecting tropical fish and coral reefs. Plus, share information about reef fish population and the environmental challenges these animals and the coral reefs face with your friends and family, as well as local tropical fish groups.
3. If you are looking to start a home aquarium, remember a few tips:
  - Research the fish you are interested in caring for and how they interact with other fish.
  - Opt for an aquacultured fish first, instead of one collected from the reefs.
  - Saltwater aquariums can be tricky for beginners, so consider a freshwater aquarium instead.
  - For the well-being of your fish and other wildlife and their habitats, never release fish into the wild.
4. Buy sustainably-sourced seafood from your local retailers. Remember to ask them: "Do you sell sustainable seafood?" Let businesses know this is important to you. You can find additional tips from the Monterey Bay Aquarium here: [www.seafoodwatch.org](http://www.seafoodwatch.org).
5. Take part in activities like Discovery Cove's SeaVenture program - guests who participate in the SeaVenture program at Discovery Cove also directly help support Rising Tide Conservation, as the park donates five percent of every program purchased.
6. You and your kids can join the SeaWorld myActions team. The myActions platform is an innovative social network that offers you the opportunity to share the actions you take to protect the environment on a daily basis while inspiring and challenging your friends and family to do the same.

