



# Adopt-A-Fish

Become part of the Birch Aquarium family!

### Why Adopt?

As the public exploration center for world-renowned Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Birch Aquarium at Scripps is dedicated to preserving marine life. To keep our 5,000+ fishes and invertebrates thriving, we spend almost a million dollars every year for food, care and maintenance. Our aquarists even work on holidays to maintain water quality, control disease, and especially provide specialized TLC – each of our 380 species has its own particular needs and dietary requirements. By adopting one today, you too can be part of the team that provides essential care to these special ocean inhabitants!

### Who Can Adopt?

Children, grandparents, birthday parties, school classes, community groups... anyone who wants to share in the responsibility of helping sea life.

### Give the Gift of Caring!

Surprise loved ones with the gift of an adoption. Adopt-a-Fish for family and friends!

### Adoption Form (or visit us online at [http://aquarium.ucsd.edu/Members\\_and\\_Friends/Adopt\\_a\\_Fish](http://aquarium.ucsd.edu/Members_and_Friends/Adopt_a_Fish))

For more than one adoption, use separate forms.

### If this adoption is a gift:

My Name \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Email (required) \_\_\_\_\_

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ANIMAL \_\_\_\_\_

Occasion \_\_\_\_\_ Delivery Date \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED:  \$100     \$150     \$200     \$250     \$500     \$1000

Send gift adoption to:     new parent directly     you to forward    **Please note: all adoption materials are sent electronically.**

### Method of payment

Send completed form and payment to: Membership, Birch Aquarium at Scripps/UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive, Dept. 0207, La Jolla, CA 92093-0207.

Check made payable to **UC San Diego Foundation**

VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover

Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Adopt-A-Fish?     website     OnBoard     walk-up     news    Other \_\_\_\_\_

# Adoption Packages and Prices

Please note that several items will be sent electronically.

Visit us online! [http://aquarium.ucsd.edu/Members\\_and\\_Friends/Adopt\\_a\\_Fish](http://aquarium.ucsd.edu/Members_and_Friends/Adopt_a_Fish)

## **\$100 (Moon Jelly, Garibaldi, Sardines) and \$150 (California Spiny Lobster, California Moray, Sea Star)**

- Official personalized adoption certificate
- Digital photo of your animal (desktop option included)
- Information sheet about your animal
- Tax receipt (adoption fee is a deductible donation)
- 4 free passes to Birch Aquarium at Scripps
- Invitation to our annual Adopt-A-Fish celebration event

## **\$200 (Stingray, Stonefish, Coral Reef) and \$250 (Lionfish, Leopard Shark, Blacktip Reef Shark)**

- All of the above + 2 additional free Aquarium passes to visit your adopted species

## **\$500 (Nautilus, Giant Sea Bass, Scythe Butterflyfish)**

- All of the above + 1 year complimentary Family Membership, which includes:

*2 adult admissions, unlimited  
Children/grandchildren under 17 included  
Quarterly OnBoard newsletter  
Monthly e-magazine, Explorations  
4 guest passes & 4 discounted admission coupons  
10% discount at Aquarium Bookstore  
10% discount at Splash! Cafe*

## **\$1000 (Sea Dragon, Octopus, Pacific Seahorse)**

- All of the above + 4 additional free passes and the opportunity to experience a behind-the-scenes tour with an aquarist who cares for your animal (one time by appointment only, minimum 2 weeks notice required)

**Group Adoptions:** Two or more individuals may share an adoption. There is no limit to the number of people in a group; however, the adoption may only be purchased under *one* name.

- One Family Membership per year will be offered to groups adopting in the \$500 or \$1000 categories.
- One aquarist appointment per year may be made for groups adopting in the \$1000 category. Due to restrictions on the number of people allowed in the backstage area, a mutually agreed-upon arrangement limiting the number of actual attendees may be necessary.

### **Terms and Conditions**

- All adoption package items will be sent electronically. Adopter must have email.
- Individual animals may not be adopted or officially named. Adoptions apply to *species* only.
- Adoptions are not exclusive and more than one person or group may adopt the same species.
- Adoptions last for 12 months from the day the adoption is purchased. Adoptions are not ownerships.
- Gift adoptions start on the delivery date indicated by giver. Notification will be sent by email on that date.
- Birch Aquarium decides which animals are available for adoption.
- In the event that your chosen animal leaves the Aquarium, we will transfer your adoption to another adoptable animal of your choice.
- Adoption packages and prices may vary at the beginning of a new year. No refunds will be given.
- Adopters may only access public areas of the Aquarium unless accompanied by a staff member.

Please allow 14 days for processing and delivery. Contact (858) 534-FISH or [adoptafish@ucsd.edu](mailto:adoptafish@ucsd.edu) for questions.