



Scavenger Hunt

Wetlands Trail / Journey to Madagascar

1. I am a very heavily armored fish with diamond-shaped scales. Alligators are one of the few predators that can eat me. What am I?
2. I am the top predator in the southern freshwater swamps. I am a success story for conservation even though I still face issues today. The mothers are amazing in their care and are able to pick up their young gently with their mouths. What am I?
3. My furry body was made for swimming. My rudder like tail helps me glide through the water with ease. What am I?
4. I look like I'm walking on water with my prop "feet" in the sand. I help protect the coasts and give a safe place for young fish and birds to hang out. What am I?
5. I am a threatened species. Many people have taken over my habitat to build their homes. I use my strong front legs to dig burrows in dry sandy soils so I can stay cool and lay my eggs. What am I?
6. My relatives are both monkeys and squirrels. I can often be seen hopping from limb to limb and playing with my friends. What am I?
7. I am pink, but I am not a flamingo. You may see me swinging my head back and forth in the water looking for food. What am I?
8. I am an invasive species and pose a serious threat to South Florida's native wildlife. I can lay up to 100 eggs at a time. I am able to stay still for hours in hopes no one sees me. and I can sneak attack. What am I?

Bays & Beaches

9. I have ten legs and spiny antennae. As I grow, I move further offshore to reefs. I do most of my hunting at night. What am I?

10. I am a very large fish! While not yet fully grown, I may one day reach 800 pounds and be 8 feet long. What am I?

11. While I live alongside horseshoe crabs and rays that can be found right here in Tampa Bay, I'm really a long way from my home in the southern Pacific Ocean. What am I?

Coral Reefs / Dragons Down Under

12. I am a fish named after a spiky land animal. I can puff up and look spiky as well. What am I?

13. I am the most recent Caribbean pirate. I like to eat all the native fishes. I have no natural predators due to my venomous spines. What am I?

14. As a guy, I hide in the seagrass and wait for my mate to swim by. While she may leave me every night, she only has eyes for me. What am I?

15. I look large and scary, so many people are afraid of me. However, I don't bother people unless I'm provoked. The Florida Aquarium divers swim with me all the time! What am I?

Waves of Wonder / First Floor Lobby

16. Despite my name, I am not a fish, in fact I have no bones at all (making me an invertebrate)! I come in a variety of colors and have the ability to sting. Who am I?

17. In the "Heart of the Sea" you can see unusual trees. These trees make a great habitat as well as help the Aquarium grow this endangered animal?

18. My arms have suction cups on them and I have a venomous bite. What am I?