GEORGIA AQUARIUM

Chaperone Guide 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

This guide should be used to make your chaperone experience at Georgia Aquarium a breeze! Below, you will find important information on Georgia Aquarium's facility and policies. If you have any questions, regarding your group's field trip or your schedule for the day, please reach out to the group leader planning the trip.

TICKETS

All adults need a ticket for entry and the entire group must be present to enter the building. If you have purchased your ticket online, it will be emailed to you. If you have purchased your ticket through the school, your ticket is under the group reservation, and you will be part of the student and adult count. Once you have your ticket, you will enter through the Group Entrance located on the corner of Baker and Luckie Street. All tickets include self-guided general admission and all available shows/presentations.

INSTRUCTOR-LED PROGRAM

If your group is participating in an Instructor-Led Program, a Georgia Aquarium Educator will greet your group at the Group Entrance for a quick introduction. 15 minutes before your scheduled program time, make your way upstairs to the front of the 4D Theater to check-in for the program. Because these programs have limited space, there is a limit on the number of adults who can join the group during the program. Your group leader will make the final decision on which adults will be able to join the program and will also have schedule information.

MEALS

Georgia Aquarium does not allow outside food and beverage inside the building, and we are unable to store lunches or coolers. If your group has purchased meals with Georgia Aquarium, you will pick-up in Café Aquaria at your designated meal time. Lunch with Dolphins meal option will be picked-up at 10:45am in the Dolphin Coast lobby. Please check with your group leader for your group's lunch plans and any weather arrangements they have made

EXIT PROCESS

All groups will exit through the Gift Shop and buses will pick-up in front of Group Entrance.

Galleries and Exhibits

Use this guide to help create your own itinerary for your Georgia Aquarium field trip! For a digital map of the aquarium, please visit www.georgiaaquarium.org/map.

Ocean Voyager Built by The Home Depot

As one of the largest single aquatic exhibits in the world, Ocean Voyager features an acrylic tunnel for guests to view thousands of marine creatures on all sides, as well as a giant viewing window to explore oceans like never before.

Popular Animals:

Whale Sharks Manta Rays Sea Turtle

Cold Water Quest

Cold ocean waters teem with fish and marine mammals, just as they do in Cold Water Quest. This gallery is home to some of the world's coldest ocean animals.

Popular Animals:

Beluga Whales African Penguins Southern Sea Otters Giant Pacific Octopus Weedy Sea Dragons

SHARKS! Predators of the Deep

Georgia Aquarium's newest gallery,
Sharks! Predators of the Deep, is one of
the largest and most dynamic shark
exhibits in North America. Home to some
of the most recognizable apex predators in
the ocean, this exciting new gallery
experience brings you face to face with the
most enigmatic and misunderstood
creatures in the sea.

Popular Animals:

Tiger Sharks Great Hammerhead Sharks

Tropical Diver

Tropical Diver is a relaxing journey through all regions of the world at Georgia Aquarium. These tropical coral reef exhibits are appropriately arranged like a gallery of living art with living coral and thousands of colorful reef fish.

Popular Animals:

Clownfish Soft and Hard Coral Green Moray Eels Jellies Lionfish

Southern Company River Scout

In the Southern Company River Scout gallery, you'll explore the wide diversity of animals found in the rivers of Africa, South America, Asia and right here in Georgia.

Popular Animals:

Alligator Snapping Turtles
Archerfish
Asian Small Clawed Otters
Piranha

Dolphin Coast

Cruise on over to Georgia Aquarium's captivating coast, Dolphin Coast! This gallery features the Aquarium's own pod of common bottlenose dolphins.

Aquanaut Adventure

Our world is made of extremes: here in the all new Aquanaut Adventure: A Discovery Zone you'll discover what it takes for animals to survive and thrive in some of the harshest environments on Earth...and what it takes to study them!

Shows and Presentations

All general admission tickets include access to Georgia Aquarium's shows and presentations. Shows and presentations require reservations that can be made day-of when you arrive at the Group Entrance or by using the Reservation Link. Showtimes may vary. For showtimes and more information, please visit www.georgiaaguarium.org/hours.

Dolphin Presentation - Dolphins in Depth

In this Dolphins in Depth Presentation, you will be able to witness the beauty, athleticism, and intelligence of these amazing creatures. This show is approximately 15 minutes.

Sea Lion Presentation – Truist Pier 225

Truist Pier 225's live presentation, Under the Boardwalk, features Georgia
Aquarium's incredible California sea lions.
These highly social pinnipeds and their dedicated trainers will show you how they work together – and why this is such an important part of animal care at Georgia
Aquarium – in a live training session. This show is approximately 30 minutes.

4D Theater Presented by Kia

Experience the underwater world from an animal's point of view. By combining the highest quality 3D high definition projection with special effects, Georgia Aquarium's 4D Theater allows guests to do exactly that. This show features interactive seats and unique special effects that are built into the theater itself. This show is approximately 15 minutes.