THOUSANDS OF Reasons to Love THE AQUARIUM

South Carolina Aquarium
Reason #2000: The Sea Turtle Care Center™

In August of 2000, our first sea turtle patient was admitted. From that moment forward, the South Carolina Aquarium has been home to the Sea Turtle Care Center.
Reason #1: Sea Star

Look closely – sea stars have 1 large dot that pumps water into their bodies. See for yourself at our touch tank!
Reason #350,000: Ace the River Otter

Ace was named after the Ace Basin, 350,000 acres of protected habitat for wildlife in South Carolina.
Reason #3: Common Octopus

Octopus not only have eight arms, but they have 3 hearts. There’s a lot to love!
Reason #100,000: Alabaster the American Alligator

Alabaster is really special – there’s only a 1 in 100,000 chance of being born albino, which means without color!
Reason #1,000: Sand Tiger Shark

Sharks typically go through 1,000 teeth annually. That’s a lot of lost teeth in the Great Ocean Tank!
Reason #6: Horseshoe Crab

Horseshoe crabs have 6 gills that help them breathe underwater – see for yourself at our touch tank!
Reason #7: Liberty the Bald Eagle

Surprising to many, Liberty only weighs 7 pounds.
Reason #42: Great Ocean Tank

At 42 feet, the Great Ocean Tank is the deepest tank in North America – that’s a long way down!

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