



TAKE CARE OF TIDE POOLS

Twice a day the retreating tide leaves seashore life clinging to rocks or trapped in pools. Tide pool animals are well adapted to their ever-changing world of surf and sun, but although they are protected by law, they have no defense against careless humans.

Tips for Tide Pool Watchers:

The best way to see tide pool life is to wait quietly until animals emerge from hiding and resume their normal activities. Examine marine life on the spot.

Do not pry animals off rocks, poke them, or step or walk on them.

Do not turn over, pick up, or take away any rocks, shells, or animals. You could be destroying an animal's home, and sea creatures quickly die in containers.

Watch your step. Walk, don't run, carefully around tide pools, both for your own safety and to spare the life underfoot.

Stay alert for unusually large waves, and do not get trapped by the incoming tide.

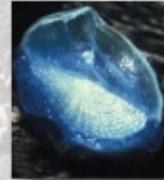
Tide Pool Species



Sea Star



Lined Chiton



By-the-wind Sailor



Giant Green Anemone



Gooseneck Barnacles



Hermit Crab



Bat Star



Shore Crab



Western Gull



Surf Grass



Aggregated Anemone



Shield Limpet



Rock Louse



Purple Sea Urchin

