

Education Program Options

Available at the South Australian Whale Centre



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Whale Centre
A Marine Environment Facility

The South Australian Whale Centre features a purpose built classroom, the "Southern Right Room", which caters for large groups in a private, safe, and secure learning environment.

Education programs run for a duration of 45mins -1hr and are divided into Curriculum Bands based on the level of knowledge required by participants. Each program is themed to compliment the South Australian Whale Centre's 'Whale Education Pack' - a comprehensive tool for teachers which includes a Whale themed Unit of Work incorporating a ten week program of Science activities.

A number of full-day packages, external presentations and subsidised program options are also available. Please contact one of our Administration Team on 08 8551 0752 to discuss your class' needs.



Due to the high level of demand for education programs ,we recommend that teachers book as far in advance as possible.

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"Echo's Tale of a Whale " Pre-school - suitable for Kindergarten-R

In addition to giving children a basic understanding of whale features, physiology and behaviour, "Echo's Tale of a Whale " uses music, dance and tactile elements to explore the growth and development of whale calves.

"Whale Shakes" Early Years — suitable for R-2

"Whale Shakes" develops students' knowledge of basic whale features, physiology and behaviour, while also using hands-on water-based experiments to discuss density and feeding patterns of whale calves.

"Grubs Up!" Primary to Middle Years — suitable for yrs 3-8

"Grubs Up!" develops students' basic knowledge of whale features, physiology and behaviour. This program also uses water-based experiments to demonstrate the feeding techniques of baleen (mysticeti) whales.

"Who am I!" Middle Years — suitable for yrs 6-9

"Who am I!" extends students' knowledge of whale features, physiology and behaviour using scientific identification methods and tactile experiments.

"Green Whales" Senior, SACE and Tertiary

"Green Whales" focuses on the local whale watching industry's role within "ecotourism" and its effect on the economy. Participants learn about Encounter Bay's historic whaling industry and its influences on whale watching today.

"Professor Blubber Show " External large group performances Primary Years R-6

Professor Blubber and his Research Team use music, humor and interactive participation to enthuse students about whales and whale watching in South Australia. This 'mobile' 40 minute presentation is suitable for groups of up to 5 classes and is available as a stand alone session or in conjunction with education programs delivered to class groups at your school.

English as a Second Language (ESL) and Special Needs

This program is specifically tailored to meet the needs of the participants and is delivered to appropriate language levels. All programs use visual and tactile elements to support the participant's learning.

Whale and Marine Sightseeing Boat Tours

Boat Tours of the local marine waters can be organised for groups of up to 10 people per trip. See whales (in season), seals, dolphins and other marine life in their natural environment.

All programs are adapted to students' prior knowledge and teachers' required learning outcomes and objectives.

