

Marine Protected Areas:
*Providing Safe Refuges for
Ocean Creatures Like Us*



Activity Booklet for Kids

Marine protected areas (MPAs) are underwater places that protect special areas in our ocean. California is the first state in the nation to create these refuges all along the coast. Please help us keep our MPAs safe and clean for the plants and animals that live here.

Visit www.CaliforniaMPAs.org to learn more!

Help Me Find My Home



Kelp Forest



Toy Chest



Tide Pool

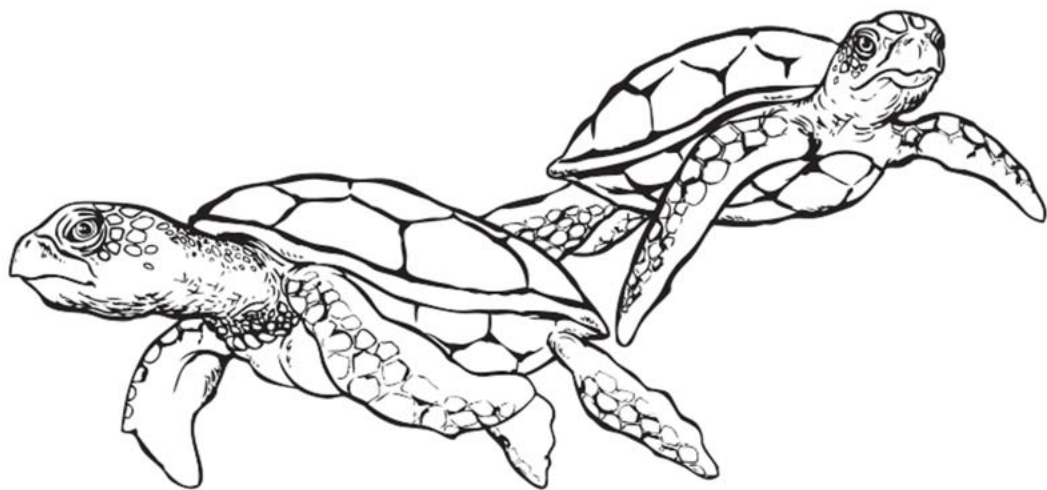


Recycle Bin

Connect each object on the left
to its home on the right

Color These Ocean Animals

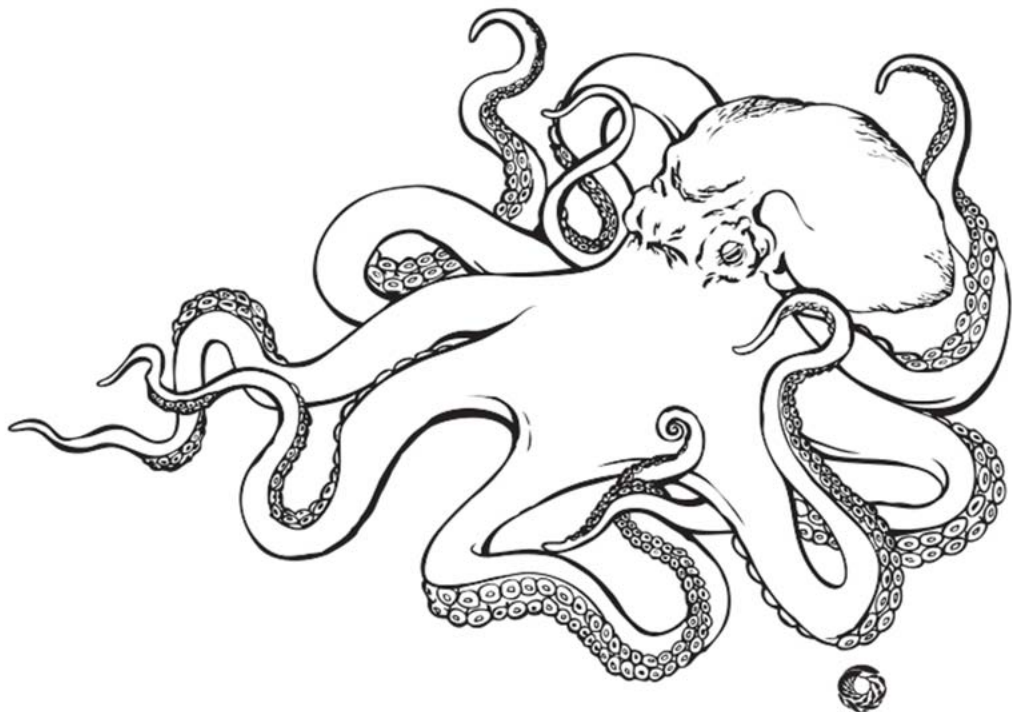
Green Sea Turtles



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Pacific Octopus

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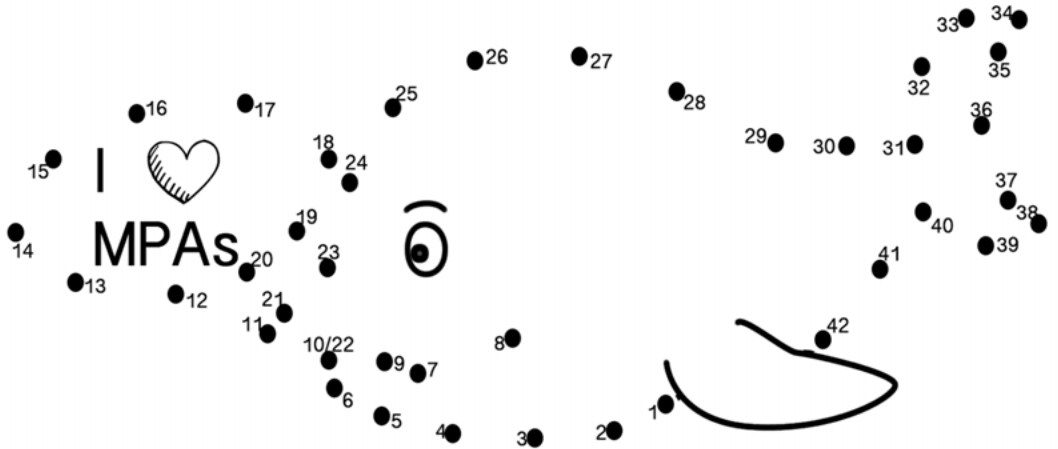


Leafy Seadragon

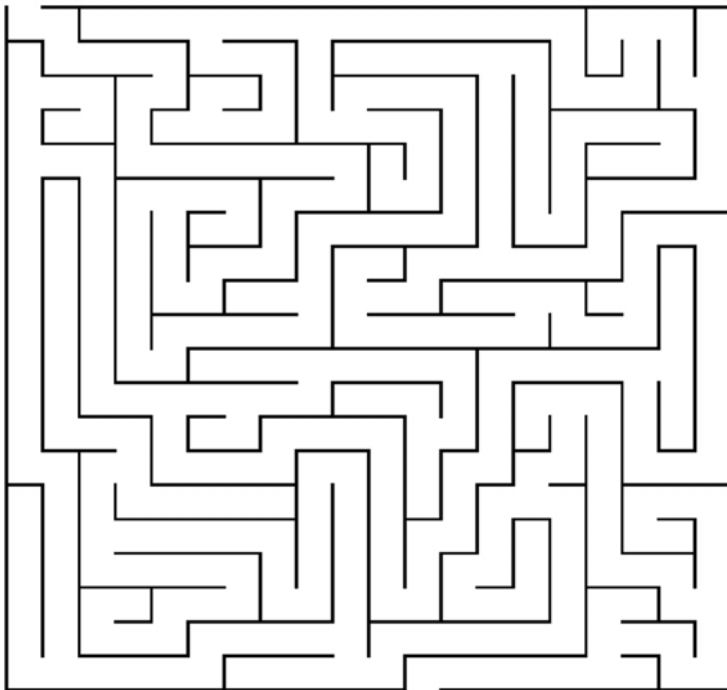


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Connect the Dots



Help the baby dolphin find its way to the
marine protected area



underwater park



Word Search: Learn about MPAs

I E O I R P O L L U T I O N A
B O B R D V S Z E V E H A M I
C L V E K I A M Q C W Y F O F
Z B Y E E H O E N U R V Z F N
Q F R B R H X A J I A E D O C
C V F E X F B V D Q G V I B Z
L E F L E R I K L N X T V W A
K S Z E U D F S O Q C A G K P
E O S T E G I H H E K F I H M
T S S B A D C N T I D M V E V
M I Z N S T I O G L N Q Y N V
D K K L X Q R N P K O G J D O
E E N C Y P E C G V D F E V Y
Z Y C L I M A T E C H A N G E
M R J P S L H S K S L I E A R

Reasons We Need Marine Protected Areas

Pollution
Climate Change
Overfishing
Disturbance

Animals use Marine Protected Areas for:

Home
Protection
Breeding
Feeding

Word Search: Love the Ocean

C G P T G C L B S R M G M U L
O L L R O M R E E T S A S N A
M O A A B N V T G A R G L D E
M C S S I A T R E I C G L E S
U T T H W O N S N A B H E R T
N O I T A V R E S N O C H W N
I P C E K U R T M J T P S A A
T U S R O E N D N O T Q A T H
Y S A E S A B A L O N E E E P
E H V E L C Y C E R D E S R E
S A R H E R M I T C R A B P L
S V S E A S T A R N O K I A E
E H S I F Y L L E J Q E R R P
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ABALONE
BIRDS
CONSERVATION
FISH
KELP
OCTOPUS
SAVE OUR SEAS
SEASHHELLS
TRASH

ANEMONE
COAST
DOLPHIN
HERMIT CRAB
MARINE RESERVE
PLASTIC
SEAGULL
SEA STAR
UNDERWATER PARKS

BEACH
COMMUNITY
ELEPHANT SEAL
JELLYFISH
OCEAN
RECYCLE
SEA OTTER
SHARK
WAVES

Marine Protected Areas...

Good for the fish,

Good for the fishermen,

Good for people everywhere!

-Dr. Sylvia Earle, ocean explorer



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