

Save the Manatee® Club Membership Information

Membership Packet Materials

For as little as **\$25 per year**, you can help save manatees! To show our appreciation for your support, every manatee adoption packet includes:

- **A one-year membership** to Save the Manatee Club.
- **A membership handbook** filled with photos, facts, and information. *(With new adoptions)*
- **A biography and official adoption certificate** of the manatee you choose.
- **Our official newsletter**, *The Manatee Zone*, four times a year.
- **A FREE membership gift**, listed below.
- **A FREE 2024 SMC manatee calendar**, while supplies last.



Associate (\$25)



Our Associate level is a great way to show support for manatees and the Club without stretching your budget! Associate members receive an adoption or renewal packet, complete with a biography and certificate of adoption for your selected manatee and our membership handbook. You will also receive updates about your adopted manatee as well as our quarterly newsletters!

Friend (\$35)

When adopting or renewing your membership, a manatee Friend will receive all the Associate level materials along with a blue luggage tag that is 4.3” long and is made of synthetic leather. The manatee design and club name are debossed into the material. Secured with a steel cable, identify your luggage or backpack anytime while showing your support for manatees.



Sponsor (\$75)



When you become a manatee Sponsor you will receive your adoption or renewal packet as well as an exclusive SMC t-shirt featuring an adorable manatee stencil design on the front and the phrase “ask me about my adopted manatee” on the back. The color is a very light blue heather made of a soft and luxurious 90/10 Airlume cotton/polyester blend. Available in adult sizes (Small through 4XL) and youth sizes (Small through Large).

Guardian (\$100)

Guardians of the manatee can collect a grey, cotton bucket hat along with their other membership materials.



Made of 100% cotton twill, one size fits most adults: 7.5”–7.63”. Keep your face shaded under the 2” brim of this stylish cap printed exclusively for SMC.

Steward (\$500)

At the highest level of support, our manatee Stewards will receive their adoption or renewal packet plus a heavy-duty, large cotton tote with navy blue stripes and manatee design. It measures 19” x 13” x 7” with 26” cotton rope handles. The max recommended weight capacity is 17.5 lbs.



Educator (\$20)

When you adopt or renew your class or group membership at the discounted Educator rate, you will receive your certificate of adoption and biography and the membership handbook as well as an activity packet, informational poster, and other educational items. Due to tax substantiation laws the discounted school membership is ineligible for a membership gift.





I Want to Support Manatees!

Please use this form to start a new adoption or to renew an existing Adopt-A-Manatee® membership.

YOUR INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Accept/continue emails from SMC?: Yes No

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership Type: New Adoption Renewal of Existing Membership

Manatee Name: Same New: _____

Membership Level:

- \$25 Associate
- \$35 Friend
- \$75 Sponsor
- \$100 Guardian
- \$500 Steward
- \$20 Educator (# of Students: _____ Grade: _____)

Benefits and Communication:

- Send the packet: Yes No, thank you.
- Send the FREE gift: Yes No, thank you.
(\$35 and above)
- Include FREE calendar: Yes No, thank you.
- Send renewal by: USPS Email
- Send newsletter by: USPS Email

Name on Personalized Certificate: _____

Notes: (Shirt size, message, etc., if applicable) _____

RECIPIENT INFORMATION (for Gift Memberships)

Name: _____ Recipient is a child, _____ years old.

Address: _____

Gift Message: _____

Send packet and gift to: Me Recipient

Gift is Anonymous

Send renewal notice to: Me Recipient

Special occasion: _____

Your recipient will receive a copy of the newsletter by mail. They may update their communication preferences with us at any time. You may select to receive your copy of the newsletter by email or mail. Save the Manatee Club respects the privacy of our constituents.

We do not share, sell, or publish our donors' personal information.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

\$ _____ Adoption Dues

Credit Card

\$ _____ Extra Donation

Check

\$ _____ Grand Total

Certificate

For CHECK payments fill out the information below:

Check #: _____ Check Date: _____

For CREDIT CARD payments fill out the information below:

Card #: _____

Cardholder: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

Return this form with check or money order to:

Save the Manatee® Club

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Thank you for your support!

Meet Our Adoptable Manatees

Homosassa Springs manatees are the easiest to meet in person because they are permanent residents of the park and can be visited at any time of the year. Blue Spring manatees, though wild, are spotted frequently at the spring during the winter season and sometimes during the summer. The rest of our adoptees are sighted intermittently and their behavior is more unpredictable. They may travel long distances and be recorded at multiple locations around Florida throughout the year.

BLUE SPRING MANATEES

ANNIE: Rescued as an orphaned calf and released back to the wild in 2008, Annie is not shy and is quite popular with park visitors.

AQUA: First sighted at Blue Spring in December 2011, Aqua has since been a regular visitor. She has had four known calves.

BRUTUS: One of the largest manatees, Brutus weighs in at almost 1,800 pounds and has been a regular since 1970.

DEEP DENT: A medium-sized male who first arrived at Blue Spring in 1979, Deep Dent gets his name from a deep, “dent-like” propeller wound on his tail.

DOC: Returning to Blue Spring every winter since 1976, Doc is nearly ten feet in length and is frequently spotted at the park in the summer.

FLASH: A large male manatee first identified in 1977, Flash is shy and will take off in a “flash” when disturbed.

FLOYD: Born in the summer of 1978, Floyd is easily identified by an old injury that left him with only half a tail.

GATOR: First identified in 2011, Gator got his name when he was spotted on the webcam playing with an alligator.

HOWIE: A large male known to winter at the park since 1971, Howie once tipped over the research canoe – with the researchers in it!

LENNY: Born in 1978, Lenny winters at Blue Spring each year. He prefers rest to all other activities.

LILY: One of the few adult females to regularly winter at the park, Lily has returned each year since 1974 and is the mother of at least 11 calves.

LUCILLE: Born in 1980, Lucille had her first calf at an early age and became a grandmother in 1992.

MARGARITO: The son of Lily, Margarito has returned to Blue Spring every winter. He can be identified by his missing left flipper.

MERLIN: Merlin has been wintering at the spring since 1970. His nickname is “Tail-End Charlie” since he often arrives late each year.

MOO SHOO: First identified in 2010, Moo Shoo loves to nudge the research canoe and is very photogenic. She has had three calves.

NICK: His unusual behavior, such as traveling north when all the other manatees are heading south, has earned him the nickname “Crazy Nick.”

PADDY DOYLE: Named after the famous “fighting Irishman,” Paddy Doyle is one of the feistiest manatees in the Blue Spring area.

PHILIP: Born in the summer of 1982, Philip is playful and seems to love following the research canoe everywhere.

PHYLLIS: Phyllis is believed to have been born in 1985. In 1991, she gave birth to twins—a rare event for manatees. She is a mother of at least 17 calves!

ROCKET: Rescued as a tiny orphan in 2006, Rocket is small for a male but it only makes him that much faster!

UNA: Rescued as an orphan in 2003, Una was released and gave birth to several calves. She was rescued again in 2017 due to fishing line wrapped around both flippers.

WHISKERS: Born to Dana in 1996, Whiskers is an exceptionally curious manatee and ventured away from his mother at a very young age.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA MANATEES

FLICKER: A female first documented in the winter of 1983, Flicker’s name comes from her many small propeller scars that resemble flickering flames.

JEMP: Rescued in July 1995 after being exposed to red tide, Jemp travels in a wide range along Florida’s west coast.

VECTOR: A traveling manatee who has been tracked as far north as the Suwannee River and as far south as the Peace River.

EAST COAST MANATEES

CHESSIE: First sighted in the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland in July, 1994, he has been known to travel along the southeast coast of the U.S.

ILLUSION: Illusion was rescued in March 2010 after a boat strike. After being released, she is often seen at the FPL Riviera Beach power plant and along the coast of Southeast Florida.

MILLIE: First identified in 1980, Millie is one of the largest manatees ever recorded. She is a traveler with a long sighting history along Florida’s southeast coast. Millie has had several calves.

HOMOSASSA SPRINGS MANATEES

ARIEL: Just two weeks old when she was rescued with her mom, Amanda, Ariel is a regular at the manatee education programs.

BETSY: Betsy is very friendly and curious and is quick to investigate anything new. In 2017 she returned from Ohio’s Cincinnati Zoo, where she served as a companion for manatees in rehabilitation.

FLORIDA KEYS MANATEES

ZELDA: Zelda was first ID’d in 2002 at the Ft. Myers power plant and was subsequently seen all around southwest Florida. Since 2014 she has been regularly spotted in the Keys. She has had three known calves.

ALABAMA MANATEES

BAMA: The first manatee ever captured and tagged in Alabama waters. Bama migrates from Alabama to Crystal River, Florida, each winter.