**Participant Guidelines**

- Option to interact with pieces of some exhibits, most items are stationary
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces
- Low engagement with this sense
- Lighting is generally low; some exhibits feature brightly lit/interactive displays
- Viewing of live animals

**Activity Summary**

As you explore the Canadian Waters gallery, you will journey from coast to coast via freshwater wildmesses, fisheries and kelp forests.
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Rainbow Reef  Toronto, ON  ISD#0429

TOUCH  TASTE  SOUND  SMELL  SIGHT

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

3  1  4  1  4

Participant Guidelines

- Option to interact with pieces of some exhibits; most items are stationary
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces
- Low engagement with this sense
- Lighting is generally low; some exhibits feature brightly lit displays
- Viewing of brightly colored live animals
- Interactive show schedule

Activity Summary

Rainbow Reef beautifully recreates the warm and inviting coral seas of the Indo-Pacific Ocean. Here you can enjoy the kaleidoscope of fish that flash around their idyllic home, and learn more about their precious but endangered habitats.
Dangerous Lagoon

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

- Touch: 2
- Taste: 1
- Sound: 5
- Smell: 1
- Sight: 5

Participant Guidelines

- Exhibit features an optional moving walkway through the viewing area
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces (this exhibit is a viewing tunnel)
- Low engagement with this sense
- Lighting is generally low; entrance features bright blue lighting
- Viewing of live animals beside and above guests in a moving tunnel
- Feeding/show schedule

Activity Summary

Immerse yourself in Dangerous Lagoon, our breathtaking underwater gallery, and come face to face with some of the Aquarium’s most jaw-dropping species. Hop onto our moving sidewalk and get up close and personal with a wide array of sharks while keeping your eyes peeled for green sea turtles, green sawfish and other species of fish and invertebrates.
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Discovery Centre
Toronto, ON
ISD#0431

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

- Touch: 8
- Taste: 1
- Sound: 7
- Smell: 3
- Sight: 5

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Participant Guidelines

- Features touch tank and water table for interaction with water and live animals, and other interactive exhibits
- Features open play area with soft and hard surfaces
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase—this is a very active area of the Aquarium
- Potential for slight smell from touch tanks and water table
- Potential for slight smell from café area
- Lighting is brighter in this area vs. other exhibits
- This is a very active area with open play spaces and interactive exhibits
- Viewing/touching of live animals

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Activity Summary

The Discovery Centre is a favourite place for guests to find out more about the dynamics of the marine environment through play. Enjoy the sensation of a deep-sea dive in an interactive submarine without having to worry about getting wet. Young visitors can have fun with a trip down the iconic clownfish slide or play with a water table.

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As you stroll through The Gallery, you will not only find stunning fish in technicolour hues, you will be witnessing the incredible adaptations that help them survive. From electric eels to flamboyant cuttlefish, The Gallery is home to all different types of aquatic animals.
**Curious Creatures**

**TOUCH**

**TASTE**

**SOUND**

**SMELL**

**SIGHT**

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**Sensory Level**

1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation

**TOUCH:** 4

**TASTE:** 1

**SOUND:** 4

**SMELL:** 1

**SIGHT:** 4

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**Participant Guidelines**

- Option to interact with pieces of most exhibits
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Low engagement with this sense
- Area is brightly lit by overhead lights
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces

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**Activity Summary**

From the most remote corners of our blue planet, you will journey from coast to coast and encounter extraordinary sea life, stories and artifacts along the way. From giant isopods and peacock mantis shrimp to various artifacts, immerse yourself into the strange and brilliant life of Robert “Believe It or Not!” Ripley.

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**Ray Bay**

**Toronto, ON**

**ISD#0433**

**TOUCH**

**TASTE**

**SOUND**

**SMELL**

**SIGHT**

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**Participant Guidelines**

- Option to interact with pieces of some exhibits (example: “feel the eel” electric shock); most items are stationary
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces
- Low engagement with this sense
- Lighting is generally low; some exhibits feature brightly lit/interactive displays
- Viewing of live animals—many are brightly colored
- Interactive show schedule

**Activity Summary**

Ray Bay features four species of stingray and one species of shark! A large observation window at Ray Bay offers the perfect opportunity for guests to experience the thrill of getting up close and personal with some captivating marine animals.
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Planet Jellies  Toronto, ON  ISD#0435

TOUCH  TASTE  SOUND  SMELL  SIGHT

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

3  1  4  1  4

Participant Guidelines

- Option to interact with pieces of some exhibits; most items are stationary
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase in enclosed spaces
- Low engagement with this sense
- Area features low overhead lighting/areas of darkness with brightly colored/backlit animal displays
- Feeding/show schedule

Activity Summary

Travel to our Planet Jellies gallery – one of the largest of its kind in the world – and learn more about the four species of jellies, beautifully exhibited in backlit kreisel tanks and colour-changing displays.
**Participant Guidelines**

- Option to interact with pieces of some exhibits; most items are stationary
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase
- Loud noise of machinery, alarms, and rushing water
- Low engagement with this sense
- Area features brightly colored/flashin LED lights, bright colors, rushing water and other complex visuals

**Sensory Level** (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

- TOUCH: 3
- TASTE: 1
- SOUND: 8
- SMELL: 1
- SIGHT: 7

**Activity Summary**

By bringing a significant amount of pumping and filtration equipment out into the public areas, the Aquarium offers visitors a unique opportunity to see how its complex environment is maintained.
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Shoreline Gallery  Toronto, ON  ISD#0437

TOUCH  TASTE  SOUND  SMELL  SIGHT

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

6  1  4  1  4

Participant Guidelines

- Features touch tank for interaction with water and live animals, as well some interactive pieces on exhibits
- Low engagement with this sense
- Background music plays throughout exhibits
- Low engagement with this sense
- Area features natural lighting as well as artificial light
- Viewing/touching of live animals
- Potential for noise level to rise as crowds increase

Activity Summary

Our Shoreline Gallery is located at the top of Ray Bay. Guests will have the opportunity to closely observe, interact with and even gently touch four species of stingrays!
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Discovery Dive  Toronto, ON  ISD#0427

TOUCH  TASTE  SOUND  SMELL  SIGHT

Sensory Level (1 = low sensory stimulation, 10 = high sensory stimulation)

8  2  2  2  7

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Participant Guidelines

- Requires wearing special dive gear/clothing
- Potential for small amounts of water/splashing near mouth
- Noises/sounds in the water will be audible—must be able to hear instructions from staff so no hood or noise-cancelling gear permitted
- Potential for slight smells from water
- Engagement with live animals, water, and staff

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Activity Summary

Have you always wanted to dive with sharks? Our public S.C.U.B.A. dive program allows guests to get up close to the sawfish, sharks, turtles and fish on this 30 minute guided dive in Dangerous Lagoon. Please note you must be a certified Open Water Scuba Diver or equivalent, 16 years of age or older, been diving in the past two (2) years, and complete a medical waiver in order to be allowed to dive.

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Stingray Experience  Toronto, ON  ISD#0426

TOUCH  TASTE  SOUND  SMELL  SIGHT

Sensory Level ($1 = \text{low sensory stimulation}, 10 = \text{high sensory stimulation}$)

8  2  3  3  5

Participant Guidelines

- Requires wearing special gear/clothing
- Involves wading in water with live animals
- Option to touch/interact live animals
- Potential for small amounts of water/splashing near mouth
- Open area with noise audible from other sections of aquarium
- Potential noise/interaction with other guests
- Potential for slight smells from feeding activities/water
- Engagement with live animals, water, and other guests

Activity Summary

Are you ready to get up close and personal with a Stingray? Ripley’s Aquarium of Canada offers a one of a kind experience for guests to be in Ray Bay with cowose, southern, spotted eagle rays, and roughtail stingrays.