

# Self-Guided Observation Guide

GRADES 3-5

# See Shells

The mission of the Monterey Bay Aquarium is  
to inspire conservation of the ocean.



**Hermit crab**  
*Pagurus samuelis*



**Jeweled top snail**  
*Calliostoma annulatum*



**Turban snail**  
*Tegula funebris*

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# Check the box next to the animals you find living in shells.



HERMIT CRAB

Touch a hermit crab in a Touch Pool. What behavior do you observe?

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KELLET'S WHELK

How does this animal eat?  
Hint: ask a volunteer for help!

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CALIFORNIA MUSSELS

Find the California mussels. How do they hold on?

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ABALONE

How many holes do you count on the abalone's shell?

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TURBAN SNAIL

Name one animal you see living in the same habitat or exhibit as a turban snail.

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JEWELLED TOP SNAIL

How are these snails different from other snails in the same exhibit?

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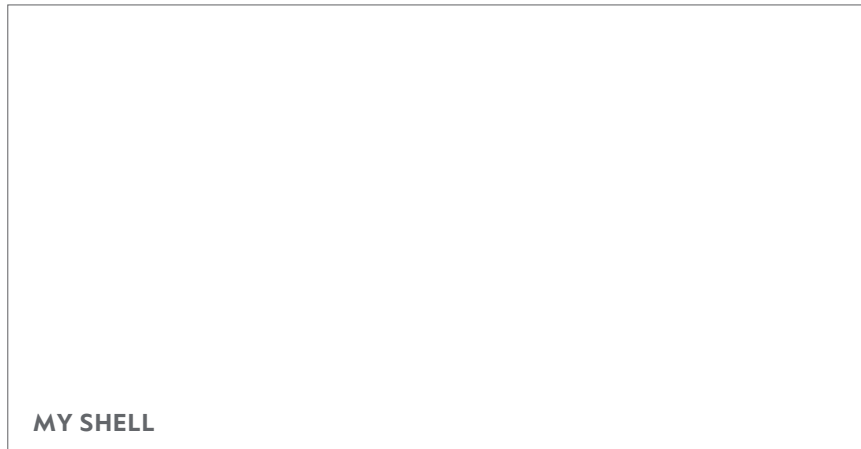


GREEN SEA TURTLE

**BONUS:**  
How are turtle shells different from a snail's shell?

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MY SHELL



If you lived in a shell, what would it look like? Draw your shell here.