

Monterey Bay

IT'S MORE THAN
SPECIAL
IT'S OUR HOME



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Monterey Bay has Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS)

The Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary covers 6,074 square miles of ocean. Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS) are a fraction of this area and represent some of the most biologically diverse ecosystems of the Sanctuary.

They provide habitat for unique and threatened species such as sea otters, whales, fishes, sea turtles and birds.

What we do on land impacts marine life in the Monterey Bay, home to many remarkable species.



YOU CAN HELP protect this special ASBS ocean area by:

- 1 Washing cars at a carwash to prevent soap and bits of metal from entering storm drains, which flow to the Bay
- 2 Using alternatives to pesticides and fertilizers
- 3 Picking up pet waste and disposing in the trash
- 4 Never littering

Your simple actions will protect our special area for future generations.

