Wondering where you can sleep or how sleep set-up works? Wonder no longer!

» Sleep areas are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis at check-in, and are subject to availability. Please have a second choice in mind, in case your first choice is no longer available!

» Sleep assignments will only be given out for guests who are present at the time of check-in. While we do our best to accommodate requests, we do not guarantee that large groups will be able to sleep in the same location.

*Please note: all of our events are co-ed, and we welcome parents and siblings as a part of your group. Sleep locations are gender-inclusive as well.*

» After checking in, a member of our team will assist you with storing your luggage until later in the night when it is time to retrieve your items for sleep set-up.

» Specific spots within sleep areas cannot be reserved ahead of time, and saving spots during sleep set-up will not be permitted.

» Heads cannot be under ledges of any kind and all doors and fire access points must remain unblocked. A clear walking path must be available throughout the exhibits. Academy staff members will be available to support you in choosing a spot that is both safe and comfortable.

» Quiet time begins at 10:30PM and lights out is at 11:15PM, but you are welcome to tuck in for the night after setting up your bed as early as 10PM.
There are five unique exhibit areas to sleep in...

**Giants of Land and Sea**
Rest in the redwoods by stretching out in the *Giants of Land and Sea* exhibit! This interactive exhibit explores the towering trees, rolling fog, and myriad of marine mammals that call Northern California home. Close your eyes under the skeleton of a massive blue whale and wake up to a delicious breakfast in the Academy Cafe. This area is great for large groups looking to be in close overnight proximity to the restrooms.

*Wake up time: 6:30 AM*

**Color of Life**
Dream in color while curled up in the *Color of Life* exhibit! Home to a kaleidoscope of creatures from vivid snakes, vibrant birds, and camouflaging cuttlefish, you’re sure to blend right in as you turn in for the night. Excellent area for large groups looking to enjoy evening programs like a bedtime story or a late night planetarium show!

*Wake up time: 6:30 AM*
African Hall
Fall asleep next to the wildlife of the African savanna as you curl up in front of iconic natural history dioramas in African Hall. While our live colony of African penguins have an early bedtime, you may catch a glimpse of several striped pajama sharks, their elusive nocturnal friends.

Wake up time: 6:30 AM

Aquarium
Slumber like a sea cucumber in our immersive and biodiverse aquarium! Home to thousands of charismatic creatures, snuggle up next to our Philippine Coral Reef, Amazon Flooded Forest, or the mysterious Twilight Zone. Please note that due to the number of live animals, all personal lights and electronic devices including phones and e-readers must be turned off at lights out. Guests that enjoy tucking in with a book or a personal device are encouraged to consider an alternative sleep location

Wake up time: 6:15 AM

Swamp (Lower & Upper Levels)
Roll out your sleeping bag next to the swamp and rest your head nearby live animals including snapping turtles, a frenzy of fish, and Claude, the albino alligator. Great area for small to medium-sized groups looking for a moderately lit, central area in close overnight proximity to the restrooms.

Wake up time: 6:15 / 6:30 AM (lower/upper swamp)
Map of Sleep Areas

1. Giants of Land and Sea Exhibit
2. Color of Life Exhibit
3. African Hall
4. Aquarium
5. Swamp (Upper & Lower Levels)