

Sharks vs People

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SUBJECT: Big and small, Sharks have it all

Hello Team Shark!

Thank you for joining us for *Sharks vs People*. The name of this program might sound like a fight between sharks and people. It is a fight, but not against sharks. It is our hope that you help us fight for sharks by learning more about them. Then sharing what you learn.

To me, sharks might be the most fascinating animals in the world. Why? Everything about them, every adaptation, every species, and every new discovery is incredible.

Let's start with the big picture:

- There are more than 500 different kinds of sharks.
- Sharks live in every part of the ocean. Some even live in freshwater rivers.
- Some sharks are as long as a school bus. Some are small enough to fit in your hand.
- Most sharks live deep in the sea, below 700 feet, far away from people.
- Sharks existed millions of years before and after dinosaurs.

There's so much more.

Sharks might be one of the world's most fascinating animals, unfortunately, they are also one of the world's most endangered vertebrates (animal with a backbone).

I hope you will fall in love with sharks, too.

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