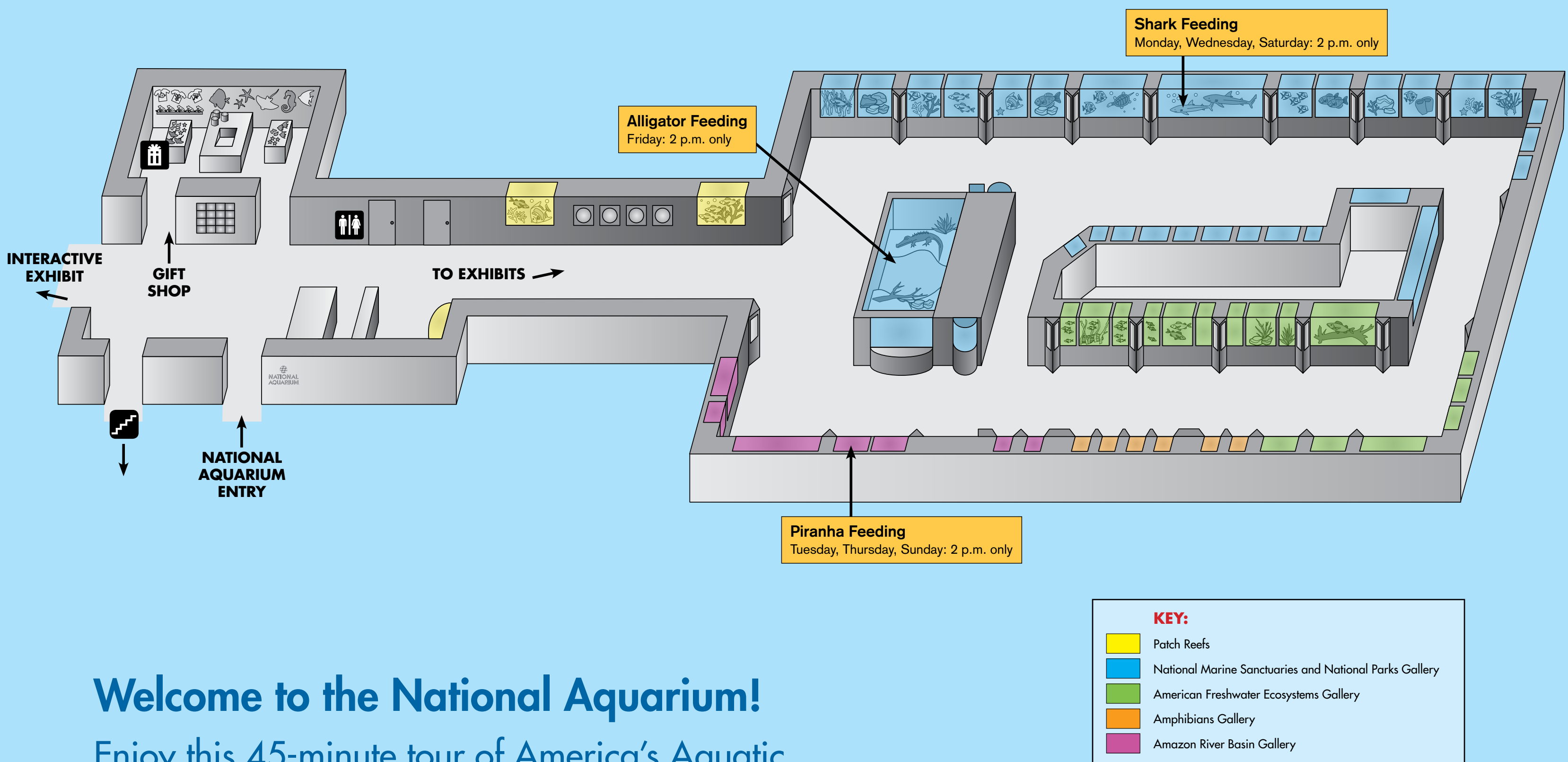


NATION'S FIRST PUBLIC AQUARIUM



Welcome to the National Aquarium!

Enjoy this 45-minute tour of America's Aquatic Treasures. Home to over 250 species, this unique attraction is a fascinating and educational tour through realistic animal habitats that make up the National Marine Sanctuaries Program, and America's valued national parks and wildlife preservations.

A RICH HISTORY

1873:

The National Aquarium, the nation's first public aquarium, is established.

1932:

The National Aquarium relocates to the Department of Commerce building.

1982:

The National Aquarium Society is formed to establish the National Aquarium as an independently operated and non-federally funded entity.

2003:

The National Aquarium Society aligns the Baltimore, MD and Washington, DC National Aquarium venues, so they can work together to expand animal collections and strengthen educational impact.

2008:

The National Aquarium undergoes an "Extreme Makeover."