

# WE NEED SHARKS

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OUTLOOK

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- There are 82 species of sharks found on the Great Barrier Reef.
- Sharks eat fish. Some species also eat hard-shelled prey such as crayfish and turtles.
- Sharks are important to a healthy ecosystem, keeping the Reef food web in balance.

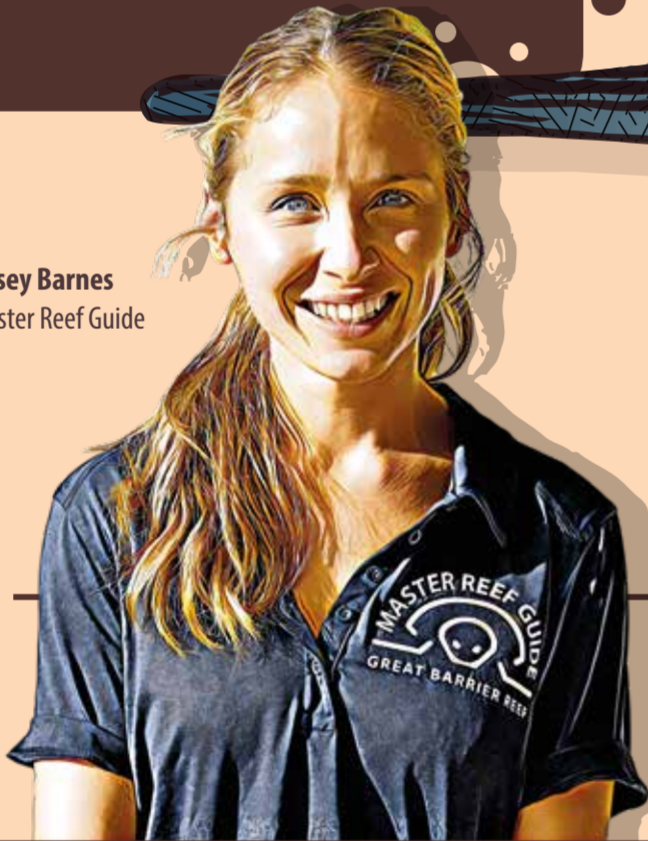
## Healthy reefs need sharks

### What can I do?

- Submit your shark sightings with the Eye on the Reef app.
- Obey the zoning and catch rules while fishing in the Great Barrier Reef.
- Report any illegal activity via the Eye on the Reef app.

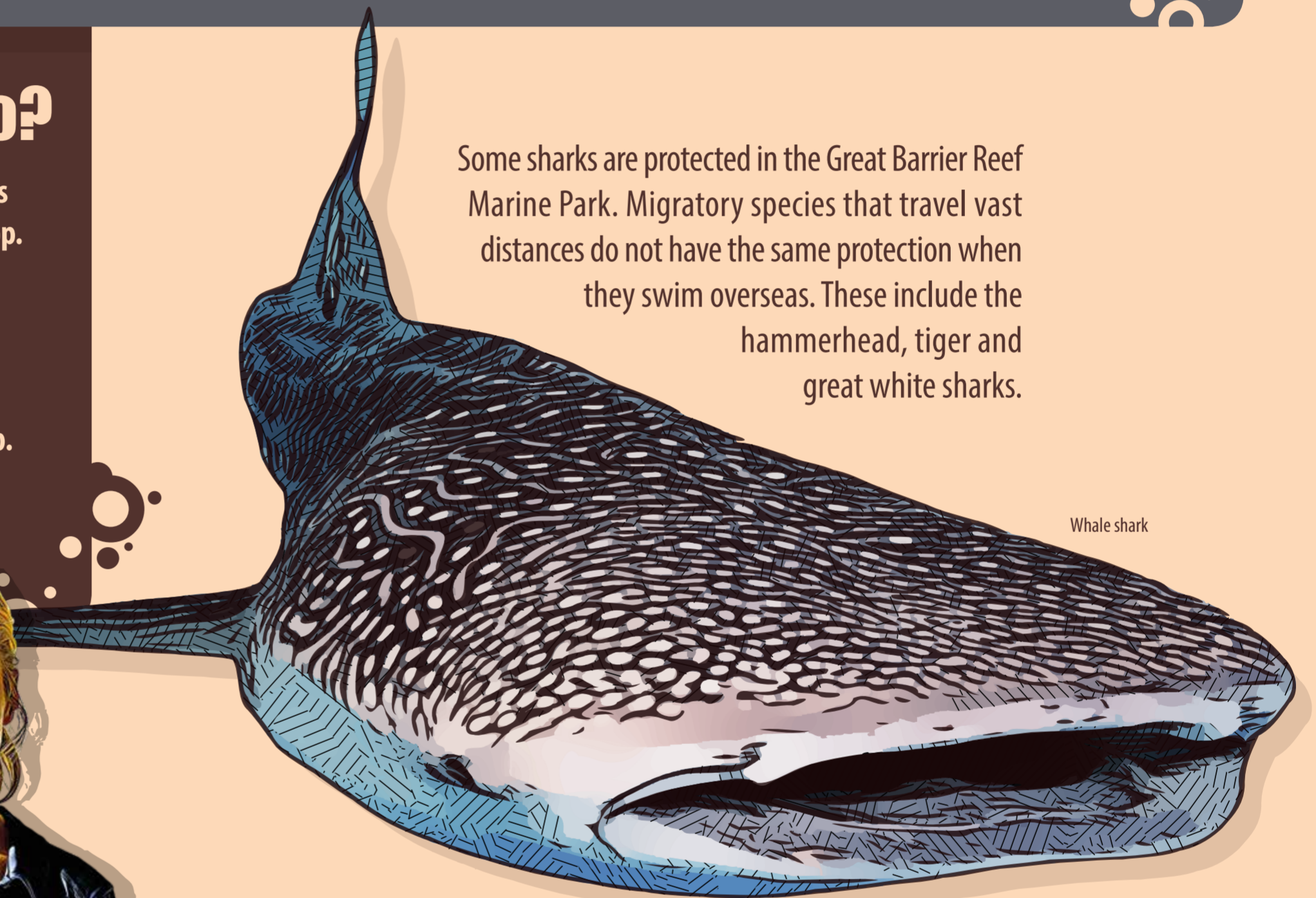
Share these tips with others.

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Hi! I'm Kasey! I'm a Master Reef Guide. I love spotting sharks on guided snorkel tours to teach people about how fascinating they are!

Some sharks are protected in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. Migratory species that travel vast distances do not have the same protection when they swim overseas. These include the hammerhead, tiger and great white sharks.



## Sightings App

Visitors to the Reef have shared some amazing sightings of whale sharks through the Eye on the Reef Sightings Network. Thanks to people just like you submitting sightings, we know more about shark activity. For example, we now know there are two aggregation sites for whale sharks in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park!

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See it, report it, share it!



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The Outlook Report 2019 notes that some species of sharks have declined, others have recovered and trends for most species are unknown. We know that a healthy shark population has benefits for the whole Reef. We should all do our part to help protect them and be Reef Smart on the water.