

Migration is Wonderous

Check off what you find. Find them all to receive a prize!



1 Monarch Butterflies (Nature Lab, Level G)

Can you find the monarch butterflies on the Australian Eucalyptus tree branch? Every year, monarch butterflies from all over the western U.S. migrate to California, to escape the harsh winter weather. These butterflies instinctively know they must fly south to warmer weather. Some fly over 1,000 miles to places like the forests in Michoacán, Mexico! **Migration keeps butterflies safe from harsh weather conditions.**



2 Fin Whale Skeleton (Otis Booth Pavilion, Level 1)

Find the fin whale skeleton hanging from the ceiling! This skeleton is from a North Pacific Fin Whale. Fin whales are the second-largest animals on the planet! They migrate from the Arctic and Antarctic feeding areas in the summer to warmer breeding areas in the winter. **Migration allows fin whales to find warmer places to breed.**

3 Seasonal L.A. Birds (Bird Hall, Level 2)

Migrating helps birds find the best places to breed, molt, and eat! Find the birds listed below that migrate from hundreds to thousands of miles away through Los Angeles during different seasons!

- Hooded Oriole**
Find me in L.A. during Summer!
- White-Crowned Sparrow**
Find me in L.A. during Winter!
- Hammond's Flycatcher**
Find me in L.A. during Spring & Fall!





4

Silk Floss Tree (Nature Gardens)

Look for the tree with a spiky trunk, bold pink flowers, and fluffy busted-open seed pods! This tree is native to the tropical forests of South America. Silk floss trees were planted in L.A. to beautify our city and have thrived in L.A.'s Mediterranean climate. They are a favorite stop for a famous parrot you may have heard in your neighborhood, the Red-Crowned Amazon—another South American native thriving in L.A.! **The Red-Crowned Amazon uses the soft fluff from inside the tree's seed pods to build its nest—just like it does in South America.** Do you use anything from your/your family's home country here in L.A.?

5

Steller Sea Lion (North American Mammal Hall, Level 1)

Steller sea lions are amphibious meaning they can live both on water and on land! While in the water they search for food and while on land they reproduce, raise their pups, molt, and rest. Looking for safe places on land to stop involves a lot of travel. Can you spot the Steller sea lions range on the display caption? **Migration allows Steller Sea Lions to find safe places to reproduce, raise their pups, molt, and rest.**



6

The Ofrenda (Becoming Los Angeles)

Whether you've lived in L.A. for your entire life, or are visiting for the first time, you will recognize something in this altar. The colorful *ofrenda* or altar is an homage to diverse peoples in L.A.—who come from all around the world! **L.A. is a special place because of the people that have lived here for generations, like the Tongva (indigenous people from L.A.), and the people who have migrated here!** Can you find an object that you connect to in the *ofrenda*?



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