



## Adopt a *Wild Thing* Gift Packages

Animal adoptions make great gifts for a birthday, anniversary, holiday or special occasion. Please allow three weeks for processing.

There's Fun for Kids  
All Year Long at the VLM

Great Birthday Parties  
Special Classes  
Summer Camps  
School Programs

Get great benefits with  
a VLM Family Membership!

*Connecting you to the environment  
through educational experiences is our mission.*



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Newport News, VA 23601  
757-595-1900  
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The Virginia Living Museum  
is a non-profit 501(c)(3)  
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# Adopt a *Wild Thing* at the Virginia Living Museum



## Be a friend to the animals

[thevlm.org](http://thevlm.org)

Dear Friends,

Our animals are important teachers about Virginia wildlife, representing 250 species. To do their best job, they need a balanced diet and lots of rest to stay healthy and happy. Each animal has its favorite foods and feeding all of them is expensive.

Our animals also need daily care, a good place to sleep, and regular medical checkups. That's why they need special friends to "adopt" them and help pay for their excellent care and feeding.

Please look inside for an application form and add a new friend to your family.







How Do I Adopt?

It's easy – any way you want to do it!

Adopt by mail:  
complete the attached form and send it  
with your donation to:  
Virginia Living Museum,  
524 J. Clyde Morris Blvd.,  
Newport News, VA 23601

Adopt by phone:  
call 757-595-1900, ext. 248

Adopt in person:  
at the VLM Admissions Desk

Adopt as a school group:  
full details: thevlm.org/AWTinSchool.aspx

How Do I Pick My Animal?

Choosing a new member of your family can be a lot  
of fun! Just select the animal you want to adopt for  
one year and complete the adoption application.

Your adopted animal will live at the Museum  
under the watchful care of our professional curators  
and vet tech.



More than 1,000 animals live at the Virginia Living  
Museum and their care costs over \$600,000 a  
year. Find your favorite to adopt and help provide  
their food and care.

- Alligator
- Barn Owl
- Bat
- Beaver
- Bobcat
- Box Turtle
- Canebrake  
Rattlesnake
- Chipmunk
- Coyote
- Eagle
- Eastern Flying  
Squirrel
- Great Blue  
Heron
- Great Egret
- Great Horned  
Owl
- Green Treefrog
- Grey Fox
- Groundhog
- Hooded  
Merganser
- Horseshoe Crab
- Kestrel
- Lionfish
- Loggerhead Sea  
Turtle
- Mouse
- Otter
- Pack Rat
- Paddlefish
- Pelican
- Rabbit
- Raccoon
- Red Fox
- Red Squirrel
- Red Wolf
- Seahorse
- Screech Owl
- Shark
- Skunk
- Stingray
- Tiger
- Salamander
- Vulture
- White Tail Deer
- Wood Duck



What Will I Get?

The Adopt a *Wild Thing* (A.W.T.) fund helps pay  
for the food, shelter and care of the animals at the  
Virginia Living Museum. As an A.W.T. adopter, you'll  
be helping your own special animal friend for one  
year, plus you'll have the satisfaction of bringing joy  
to everyone who visits the VLM to see the animals.

All Adopt a *Wild Thing* donors also receive:

- An official adoption  
certificate
- A subscription to the  
Paws and Reflect  
newsletter
- Information  
about your animal



(Adopt a Wild Thing does not include  
membership to the Museum.)



Selected photos by Karl Rebenstorf

ADOPTION APPLICATION

Your Name (First, Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) on certificate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please list this adoption as a gift in the name of:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to adopt \_\_\_\_\_

for one year. (Choose animal from list.)

I've chosen the adoption amount of

☐ \$25                      ☐ \$50                      ☐ \$75

☐ \$100                      ☐ \$200                      ☐ \$400

to help cover the cost of care for my new friend.

Payment:

☐ Check enclosed (payable to VLM)

☐ Charge my (circle one)    VISA    MC    DISCOVER

Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

According to IRS guidelines, the full amount of  
your payment is a tax-deductible contribution.