Activities
We have a variety of activities as follows.

- **Research activity**
  We research the nature and geological history of Osaka. Each curatorial staff has a professional specialty and performs his/her own studies, as well as collaborate as a team. Collection and laboratory equipment are also utilized by scientists from home and abroad.

- **Collection and preservation**
  We collect a wide selection of specimens and literature related to the natural history. These are utilized for scientific research and exhibition. We preserve them so that they will be available to the next generation.

- **Educational activities**
  We host a variety of educational events, such as nature hiking, workshops, lectures, botanic tours and so on. We also accept guest scientists and museum trainees from universities.

- **Association of Osaka Museum of Natural History**
  There is a "Friends of Osaka Museum of Natural History" group, organized by members who use the museum extensively to study nature. For information, please ask tomomonokai@mus-nh.city.osaka.jp

- **Nature Information Corner**
  There is an information counter with curatorial staff. Your questions about nature, exhibitions and activities are welcome.

Access
By subway, getting off at “M26:Nagai” station of “Midosuji Line”. Ten minutes walk toward the east.
By JR, getting off at “Nagai” station of “Hannwa Line”. Fifteen minutes walk toward the east.

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1st Exhibition Room
The Natural World Around Us
What kind of environment are you living in now? Let us take a look at what kind of creatures exist in the diverse environments of the Osaka area.

2nd Exhibition Room
History of the Earth and Life
This exhibit begins from the formation of the Osaka Plain, and then traces back in time, the history of the islands of Japan, and the Earth, as well as the history of life itself.

3rd Exhibition Room
Evolution of life
The long history since the origin of life has increased the diversity in the global biota. Evolution resulted in a variety of body structures and shapes geographically and ecologically.

4th Exhibition Room
(temporarily in gallery)
The Gifts from Nature
Nature has provided us with gifts. Where does the food, which you see on your dining tables, come from?

5th Exhibition Room
The Lives of Living Things
Plants and animals live out their lives in close connection with various environments and other organisms around them. Many of these ecological links are introduced in this exhibit.

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1F
Naumann Hall

1. Alien species around the ports in Osaka
2. Urban nature
3. Rural nature
4. Nature of country forest
5. Virgin forest of ancient Osaka
6. Endangered habitat and life
7. Insects in the forests of Osaka
8. Foods of prehistoric man in Osaka
9. Influences of alien species
10. Life in Osaka Bay

2F

2nd Exhibition room
History of the earth and life
11. History of Osaka Plain
12. The Great Ice Age
13. The Quaternary Period
14. The Osaka Group
15. The age of mammals
16. Late Cretaceous fossils from the Izu Islands of Osaka
17. The age of dinosaurs and ammonites
18. Aspects of the Palaeozoic sea and forest

3rd Exhibition room
Evolution of life
19. Speciation
20. Dispersal
21. Coevolution
22. Evolutionary diversity of insects
23. Zoogeography of insects
24. Sea as the cradle of life
25. Whence come we?

4th Exhibition room
The diversity of life
26. Food plants and their homes

5th Exhibition Room
The Lives of Living Things
27. Different Species, different way of life
28. Waiting for their chance
29. Quest for the new world
30. Predator-prey interactions
31. Competition for resources
32. Parasitism and mutualism
33. Inter-specific interactions among three species
34. Habitats created by other organisms
35. Animals utilizing various environments
36. Wide-ranging travelers
37. No environment exists isolation
38. Connections to human beings and their lives

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Information Center

1F
Nature Square

2F
Nature Hall

Planned exhibitions are held temporarily here.

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Information on the nature of Osaka, such as the biota and geology, are regionally and taxonomically exhibited.