



BIODIVERSITY MATTERS

In addition to aesthetic and ethical reasons for protecting biodiversity, there are truly practical reasons. BIODIVERSITY IN COASTAL MARINE ECOSYSTEMS IS PART OF OUR NATURAL HERITAGE, an encyclopedia of life itself, and a reservoir of options that enables the ecosystem to adapt to change.

Biodiversity is the variety of life at all levels of organization, from genetic diversity within a species to the many ways that species interact with each other and with their habitats to form communities.

