



Just imagine this tiny creature growing up to be a 300 pound mother; pretty hard to do uh?

As you can probably tell I am really enjoying myself here. This place is very small (about 37 acres) and the population is only four but there is just so much to see and learn that I can't imagine myself getting bored. Along with my interactions with the turtles I have everyday encounters with numerous Hawaiian monk seals and countless sea birds. Lots can be learned from every species not only in the biological aspect but, if you are open to it, things can be learned that you can apply to your every day life. The birds taught me that sometimes in life you have to squawk so that you don't get stepped on. The seals have opened my eyes to how fun it is to lie face down and motionless in the water where the small shore break pushes you around; I do have to say that I am a little embarrassed that I did not realize this simple pleasure in life a long time ago because, for as long as I can remember my father has always performed this exact activity and I, up until this point, thought it was sort of funny. Well dad I am no longer laughing. The turtles show me how very important it is to take time and do things right; you'll end up further ahead in the long run.

I plan on gaining a lot more knowledge and experience while I have this opportunity and I am sure I will continue to enjoy myself while doing so because it's an amazing feeling to be removed from society but at the same time being able to contribute to it.

Love always,

Turtle girl

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