

IMBITUBA WHALE MUSEUM

The Imbituba Whale Museum, opened in September 2003, is located on Porto Beach in the historic "Barracão Manoel Rosa," named after one of the last local whalers. The museum is the result of a partnership between the Right Whale Project, the City Hall, business owners, and PETROBRAS. Listed as a Municipal Historic Heritage Site, the museum recounts the history of whaling and its protection, with exhibitions of artifacts, maps, and illustrations. It is the only museum in South America to chronicle the slaughter of whales by foreign fleets in the 18th and 19th centuries. It is currently administered by the Imbituba City Hall.



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The Imbituba Whale Museum, located on Porto beach and housed in the historic building called "Barracão Manoel Rosa" in honor of one of the last whalers of Imbituba and an active promoter of public education about the history of hunting and conservation of right whales, was inaugurated in September 2003 and is the result of a partnership between the Projeto Baleia Franca, the Municipal Government of Imbituba and many businesspeople from the region who joined forces with PETROBRAS to make the historic reconstruction of the building and the installation of the exhibitions possible.

Listed as a Municipal Historic Heritage Site, the last whaling station in southern Brazil, which closed in 1973, was restored to house the Museum, which tells the story of the whale slaughter and the struggle for their protection. Its interior evokes the dark period of the slaughter through maps and illustrations obtained from historical archives and other museums, as well as several preserved artifacts. It also houses interpretive panels that guide visitors through the history of whales' difficult coexistence with humans.





The only one of its kind in South America, the Imbituba Whale Museum also tells the little-known story of the slaughter of whales in Brazil by foreign whaling fleets in the 18th and 19th centuries, with the highlight of this exhibition being the model of the US sailing whaling ship Charles Morgan, a masterpiece by naval modeler Luiz Lauro Pereira Jr, who lives in nearby Laguna.

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