

Transcript Discovery Tour

LP: Loro Parque

M.O.: Morgan Observer

OP: Other people

???: not fully understandable

Text between * * Emotion or emulated sounds.

11 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN

LP It's a security area, you know. It's important for the trainers that we don't go fly away. Downstairs we've got four windows.

Please Discovery Tour, try to use one or two windows and stay together. When the trainers catch me. If you're looking at other windows, they kill me.

You can pictures, but without flash. Please stay tighter, very important. Come on. Know??? the hand signals, it can be dangerous for the trainers.

M.O. What do you have to do to become a trainer here? Do have to have some kind of degree, or ?

Do have to have a biology degree or do you to be an... I don't know

LP Our trainers?

M.O. The trainers, yes the trainers

12 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN TRAINER M.O.QUALIFICATIONS

LP The kitchen. Everybody can smell. *puke* Are you pregnant?

OP Not yet.

LP OK. You're laughing, but when I got pregnant women here, it's *puke*. The kitchen of the killer whales, we also call them orcas. You know it'? I can say orcas because killer whales sound so *frightening*.

The orcas, the kitchen for the orcas, the sea lions and the dolphins.

Our orcas eat every day about 200kg of fish.

M.O. Every orca?

LP Times six

M.O. Six orcas?

LP And everybody eats two hundred kilos of fish, a lot of fish moves through this kitchen.

So let's go inside now, but try to stay on the red carpet, because it's slippery

M.O. Ok yeah

LP Here we have some fotos of our baby.

M.O. I that the, erm, Aday.

LP The what?

M.O. I don't remember the name 't remember the name 't remember the name.

LP Adan

M.O. Ádan?

LP Ádan?

But you in England say say Adan or Adam?

OP Adam

LP Adam and Eve

M.O. Adam and Eve. Ah it's Adam.

LP It's like Adam and Eve.

M.O. Ah ok.

LP So it's Adam, with an M. The gestation time of an orca, eighteen months.

And the first thing the orca do is, swim on the surface to breath. Very important. But in half an hour the orca can already swim. Not here, because Kohana, the mother orca, the mother didn't want to be with him.

M.O. Didn't want to?

LP So our trainers had to get the milk out of Kohana and to feed him six months with a bottle and they also had to show him to swim.

M.O. Why did it happen, why erm

LP Because, normally, the erm, the baby erm, do what the mother do. but the mother didn't want to this???? So he couldn't swim, so he swimming with the head * knock, knock * against the wall of the swimming pool. He couldn't take curves and things like that. So out trainers, one trainer at each side and Adan in the middle and they practised every day, 1 and ½ week and he could swim.

M.O. So now he's ok

LP Ah now !? Kohana and Adam are like this * fingercross * She wanted to be with him. After all the time again

M.O. Ah ok, very nice

LP Take care, Here the red carpet ends and it's very slippery.

M.O. And what do you have to do to become a trainer here. Do you have to have some sort of degree, a biology ...

LP Yeah yeah yeah

M.O. ... or animal training.

LP Eight of our favourite trainers had to live two years in America, to that erm the orca had the erm the person to trust in erm it's more erm

M.O. So it's very hard to become a orca trainer

LP Yeah it's difficult, you have to * raises arm* have a long arm and know a lot of people.

LP There you can see the pools, 12 m deep

M.O. 12m?

LP Yeah and the walls are covered with a latex, a latex covering wall, because the orcas, their skin is very sensitive.

So they came to us, February 2006, to males and two females. Keto, Tekoa, Kohana and Skyla. And they all came to us from...from Florida. From the SeaWorld park. They were born and bring here. They brought them in big bags, the boxes filled with water.

M.O. ooh yeah, nice

LP They put them in the aircraft

This is our chairman, mr Kiessling and his wife, our chef.

M.O. Oh he's the boss

LP He's the boss

M.O. Let's all be nice then

LP Let's take a look were we can see something. Let's go behind and see

13 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN MORGAN ALONE

LP Three ...

M.O. Three?

LP We have got six aquariums ... ????

....

M.O. They don't mind if you're in front of the window.

LP They like it. For example here with Morgan (blacked window with fly screen). I don't if you heard something about Morgan?

M.O. Who's Morgan

LP They found here on the coast of Holland

M.O. Ok

LP And they brought here two weeks ago, and the problem is that Morgan likes the people, that is why they closed the window.

M.O. Oh really?

LP They try to intervain???? her with the other orcas and they can't because she is al the time at the window, that's why it's closed. So please don't go on that window, it's very important. Okay, Morgan has to be alone.

M.O. Don't go there haha

LP Few times I come down here, and there's no orca and just there is one. That's the window we can't be, so it's a little bit difficult. And if you want to you can look over there. I think there is one, you have to see the other three ones???

14 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN ADAN

M.O. Skyla is the male?

LP No Skyla is a female, she inside here.

M.O. Ah ok yeah

And how old is Adan now?

LP Adan, he erm born 12 October 2010, more then one year.

M.O. One year old !?

LP One year and a few months

15 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN ABOUT MORE WHALES

LP The biggest one is Keto, four tons, and the females two tons, Adam 615 kgm and he was born 180 and the new one the Morgan, 1400 kg. She's two years old

M.O. And are you going to have new babies here? More babies here, or not?

LP If they want to have more babies, they have to have do it more bigger, this place here, ...

M.O. A bigger place?

LP Yes, it's not a very nice with the erm. They need their space, you know

M.O. ok

So how do you control them, you give them condoms, haha?

LP There are already rumours, that one of them is pregnant, but they erm

M.O. There is another one pregnant?

LP There are a lot of rumours, always telling all that the people ???? pregnant * mumbling*

But i think they control it, they don't let them together with the males.

M.O. Aha, ok

LP I know for example Morgan is always together with Adam, Skyla and Kohana.

M.O. Yep

LP Because they don't want that the erm , the males are very little bit erm , that they could hurt her.

M.O. Ah ok

LP That is why they don't let them together. With the time, in a few years, maybe

16 DISCOVEY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN MORGAN DUTCH

LP Un desastre tía, perdí el control totalmente ... Ya lo veo ... Soy yo. ... Mira, me esperas? ... Se ve aquí muy bien. Si si si te espero

A disaster, I lost control completely ... I can see that, ... Look are you going to wait for me? ... Here you can see well, Yes, I'll wait for you.

M.O. And how did the new one from Holland came here. How did he came here?

LP Also with a erm

M.O. With a plane?

LP Yeah of course

M.O. I didn't hear anything about it

LP That's strange. A lot of Dutch people are here now ??????

M.O. I'm Dutch aswell and i didn't hear anything about it

LP You're dutch and you didn't hear that the orca was in Harderwijk or how do you call it.

M.O. Harderwijk yes there is dolphinarium there.

LP And he was living there one year.

M.O. One year !?

LP Its time we go. let's go on please, ... We have to go

17 DISCOVERY TOUR INSIDE ORCA OCEAN ABOUT RELEASING MORGAN

LP And now with Morgan and all. The people who wants to release him into the wild and everything. A lot of drama, you know.

M.O. Oh you had problems here? You had problems here when the orcas came?

LP Of course, erm, when the orcas came no, but now with Morgan a little bit. Hola

M.O. Really why? Because you save the animals

LP Yeah you think we save them, but there are people we had to leave them free. That's not possible, because an orca without family can't survive in the wild you know.

M.O. And the orca???

LP She lost her family

M.O. She lost her family?

LP They don't know what happened, if they killed her family,

M.O. Can't they find it? Killed their family? To eat or what haha?

LP In Japan, there they kill the orcas

M.O. I heard about it

LP They don't know what happened, but we know she is ok here, she living together with other ones and ...

M.O. But, ... because everybody is happy. I didn't see anybody, like angry here because of the orca

LP Because of our trainers, are very in love with our orcas ...

So you have time for the sea lion show or eat an ice cream ... thank you.