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2 - Specimens' collection of the Natural History Museum

Spread over 3 stores and 15 meters in depth since 1986, the specimens' collection covers 6300 m² with 4500 m² dedicated to collection storage. About 7.5 million specimens, including fluid collections spread into 2.2 million jars and tubes. The place is open to the Museum staff and research centers staff.

Almost all the ichthyology and herpetology collections is there preserved as well as terrestrial arthropods, the major part of marine invertebrate (including all corals), about one third of the mammal and bird specimens, and a small part of the mineralogy collection. The other natural history disciplines and the rest of the collections partly represented in the specimen's collection are spread in other buildings of the Museum.

Few working rooms can accommodate about 200 external researchers per year, from one hour, few days or several months. Professional conservation visits total around 80 people per year.

Schedule: 14h30 – 15h45 / 16h15 - 17h30

Maximum number of participants: 10 persons per group

