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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eastern Long-necked Turtle

Chelodina longicollis

The Eastern Long-necked Turtle, also known as the snake-necked turtle, is a freshwater turtle native to southeastern Australia. It is easily recognized by its exceptionally long neck, which can be up…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Chelidae
Habitat: Freshwater bodies such as ponds, lakes, rivers, and swamps
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 20-40 years
Weight: 0.5-1.5 kg
Scientific name: Chelodina longicollis

Did you know?

- Despite being highly aquatic, these turtles are frequently seen crossing land, sometimes traveling several kilometers to locate new habitats.
- The Eastern Long-necked Turtle can retract its head sideways under its shell rather than pulling it directly back. It can travel long distances overl…

What I learned

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