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# Egyptian tortoise

*Testudo kleinmanni*

The Egyptian tortoise is one of the smallest tortoise species in the world, known for its delicate yellowish or pale carapace that camouflages well with desert sands. Native to arid regions of Egypt,…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Reptile
**Family:** Testudinidae
**Habitat:** Arid desert and semi-desert regions
**Diet:** Herbivore
**Conservation status:** Critically Endangered
**Lifespan:** 20-40 years
**Weight:** 90-165 grams
**Scientific name:** Testudo kleinmanni

## Did you know?

- The Egyptian tortoise is sometimes called the 'Kleinmann's tortoise' after Eduard Kleinmann, the German zoologist who first described the species in …
- The Egyptian tortoise is so small it can fit in the palm of your hand. It is able to survive weeks without direct access to water, relying on moistur…

## What I learned

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