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Animal Fact Sheet

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False Map Turtle

Graptemys pseudogeographica

The False Map Turtle is a medium-sized freshwater turtle native to the central United States. Named for the map-like yellow lines on its olive-brown carapace, this turtle is distinguished by a promin…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Emydidae
Habitat: Freshwater rivers and streams
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-30 years
Weight: 400-1,200 grams
Scientific name: Graptemys pseudogeographica

Did you know?

- Despite their name, False Map Turtles can be difficult to distinguish from true map turtles without close examination of their head and shell marking…
- False Map Turtles are highly skilled swimmers, often seen basking in large groups. Their map-like shell patterns help camouflage them among aquatic p…

What I learned

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