

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Galápagos Tortoise

*Chelonoidis nigra*

The Galápagos Tortoise is the largest living species of tortoise, native to the Galápagos Islands of Ecuador. These gentle giants can weigh over 400 kilograms and have domed or saddleback shells, wit...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Reptile

**Family:** Testudinidae

**Habitat:** Volcanic islands with arid lowlands, grasslands, and humid highlands

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Vulnerable

**Lifespan:** 80–150 years

**Weight:** 100–417 kg (220–919 lbs)

**Scientific name:** *Chelonoidis nigra*

### Did you know?

- The oldest recorded Galápagos Tortoise lived to be at least 176 years old!
- Galápagos Tortoises can survive up to a year without food or water. Their shells have unique shapes depending on the island they inhabit, and Charles...

### What I learned

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