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Animal Fact Sheet

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Green Sea Turtle

Chelonia mydas

The Green Sea Turtle (Chelonia mydas) is a prominent member of the family Cheloniidae and is the only species in its genus. These turtles are robust in size, often reaching shell lengths of up to 1.5…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Cheloniidae
Habitat: Coastal waters, seagrass beds, and coral reefs
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 60–80 years
Weight: 110–190 kg (240–420 lbs)
Scientific name: Chelonia mydas

Did you know?

- Despite their slow movements on land, Green Sea Turtles can swim at speeds up to 35 km/h (22 mph) in short bursts when threatened.
- Green Sea Turtles can hold their breath for several hours, a trait that allows them to rest underwater without surfacing frequently. They exhibit nat…

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