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Animal Fact Sheet

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Indian Roofed Turtle

Pangshura tecta

The Indian Roofed Turtle is a small to medium-sized freshwater turtle native to the Indian subcontinent. It is easily recognized by the distinctive, raised, roof-like ridge running along the midline …

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Geoemydidae
Habitat: Freshwater rivers, ponds, and lakes
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 0.5-1.5 kg
Scientific name: Pangshura tecta

Did you know?

- The Indian Roofed Turtle can retract its head and limbs fully into its shell, providing effective protection against predators.
- Indian Roofed Turtles are excellent swimmers and can often be seen basking in groups. Males have much longer tails than females, and the 'roof' on th…

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