

Animal Fact Sheet

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Leatherback Sea Turtle

Dermochelys coriacea

The Leatherback Sea Turtle is the largest of all living turtles and is distinguished by its lack of a bony shell, instead having a leathery, flexible carapace. This remarkable reptile can be found in...

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile

Family: Dermochelyidae

Habitat: Open ocean

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 30-50 years

Weight: 250-700 kg (550-1,540 lbs)

Scientific name: *Dermochelys coriacea*

Did you know?

- Leatherback sea turtles can migrate more than 10,000 miles (16,000 kilometers) each year, making them one of the most widely traveled marine creature...
- Leatherbacks are the only sea turtles without hard, bony shells; their carapace is leathery and flexible. They can dive deeper than 1,200 meters (4,0...

What I learned
