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Olive ridley sea turtle

Lepidochelys olivacea

The olive ridley sea turtle is one of the smallest and most abundant sea turtles in the world, named for the olive-green hue of its heart-shaped shell. Found primarily in warm tropical waters of the ...

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile

Family: Cheloniidae

Habitat: Tropical and subtropical ocean waters, mainly coastal areas and sandy beaches for nesting

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 30-50 years

Weight: 35-50 kg

Scientific name: *Lepidochelys olivacea*

Did you know?

- Despite being the most abundant sea turtle species, olive ridleys are still considered vulnerable due to drastic population declines from human threa...
- Olive ridley sea turtles are known for synchronized nesting in huge groups called arribadas. They can dive up to 150 meters in search of food and are...

What I learned
