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Radiated Tortoise

Astrochelys radiata

The Radiated Tortoise is a strikingly beautiful reptile known for its highly domed, star-patterned carapace, which features yellow lines radiating from the center of each dark plate. Endemic to the d...

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile

Family: Testudinidae

Habitat: Dry forests and thorny scrublands

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Critically Endangered

Lifespan: 40–100 years

Weight: 12–16 kg

Scientific name: *Astrochelys radiata*

Did you know?

- Radiated Tortoises are considered sacred in some Malagasy cultures, and harming them is taboo in certain local traditions.
- Radiated Tortoises can live for more than a century in captivity. Their intricate shell patterns are unique to each individual, much like a human fin...

What I learned
