

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Red-footed tortoise

*Chelonoidis carbonarius*

The Red-footed tortoise is a medium-sized tortoise native to South America, easily recognized by its distinctive red or orange scales on its limbs, head, and tail. It has a domed, elongated shell tha...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Reptile

**Family:** Testudinidae

**Habitat:** Tropical and subtropical forests, savannas, and grasslands

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Vulnerable

**Lifespan:** 30-50 years

**Weight:** 5-13 kg

**Scientific name:** *Chelonoidis carbonarius*

### Did you know?

- Unlike many tortoise species, the Red-footed tortoise is capable of eating animal protein like insects and carrion in addition to plant material.
- Red-footed tortoises can recognize individual humans and other tortoises. They have a specialized beak that allows them to eat a wide variety of food...

### What I learned

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