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Animal Fact Sheet

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Spotted Turtle

Clemmys guttata

The Spotted Turtle is a small, semi-aquatic turtle native to eastern North America, easily recognized by the bright yellow spots scattered across its dark, smooth shell. These turtles prefer shallow,…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Emydidae
Habitat: Shallow freshwater wetlands, marshes, bogs, and woodland ponds
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 25-50 years
Weight: 140-200 grams
Scientific name: Clemmys guttata

Did you know?

- Unlike many turtles, Spotted Turtles are excellent climbers and can sometimes be found perched in low shrubs or on tangled vegetation above water.
- Spotted Turtles can recognize individual humans and become accustomed to routine observers. They have a highly varied diet, occasionally enjoying ber…

What I learned

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