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Animal Fact Sheet

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Turquoise jewel beetle

Chrysochroa fulgidissima

The Turquoise jewel beetle is a strikingly beautiful beetle known for its iridescent turquoise and emerald-green elytra, which shimmer in sunlight. Native primarily to East Asia, especially Japan, th…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Buprestidae
Habitat: Forest
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-3 years
Weight: 0.2-0.5 grams
Scientific name: Chrysochroa fulgidissima

Did you know?

- The elytra (wing covers) of the Turquoise jewel beetle are so prized that they have been used as inlays in Japanese lacquerware and jewelry since the…
- The Turquoise jewel beetle's dazzling colors are not due to pigments, but to microscopic structures that reflect light. Its elytra have been used in …

What I learned

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