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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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