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# Animal Fact Sheet

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# Yellow-Headed Amazon River Turtle

*Podocnemis unifilis*

The Yellow-Headed Amazon River Turtle, also known as the Yellow-Spotted River Turtle, is a freshwater turtle native to the Amazon and Orinoco River basins in South America. It is easily recognized by…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Reptile
**Family:** Podocnemididae
**Habitat:** Freshwater rivers, lakes, and flooded forests
**Diet:** Omnivore
**Conservation status:** Vulnerable
**Lifespan:** 30-50 years
**Weight:** 5-10 kg
**Scientific name:** Podocnemis unifilis

## Did you know?

- Despite their aquatic lifestyle, hatchlings instinctively head for water immediately after emerging from their nests to escape predators.
- Yellow-Headed Amazon River Turtles can communicate with each other using low-frequency sounds, especially during nesting season. Females travel long …

## What I learned

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