

SEA TURTLES

CHELONIIDAE

Caretta caretta (Linnaeus, 1758)

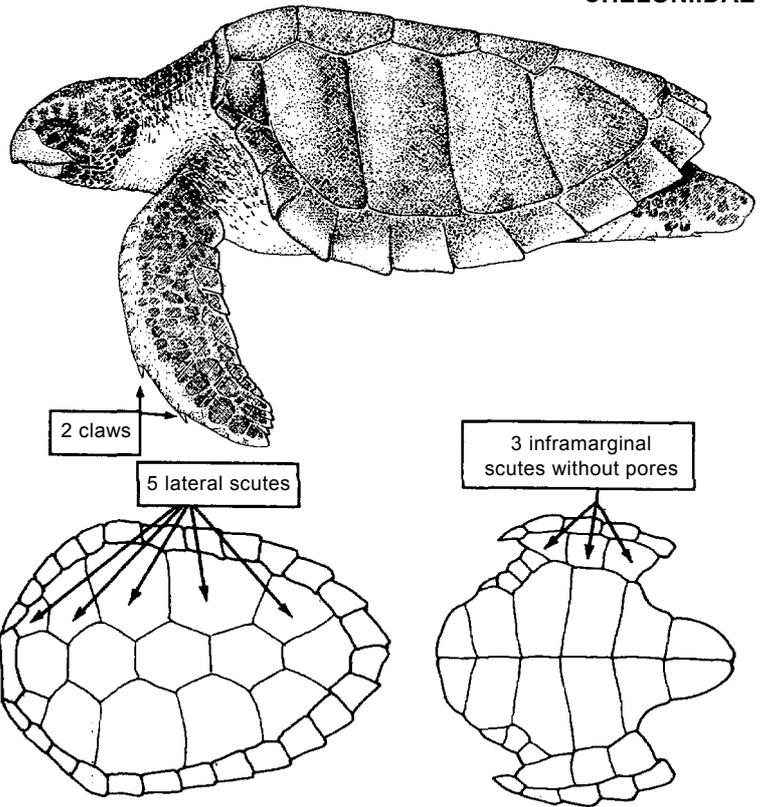
FAO names : **En** - Loggerhead turtle; **Fr** - Tortue caouane; **Sp** - Tortuga cahuama.

Size : 125 cm (carapace length), common to 110 cm.

Habitat : enters brackish water estuaries, but also found in the open sea; migratory.

Remarks : adults, nestlings and eggs protected by law in many countries.

Loc.name(s) :



Chelonia mydas (Linnaeus, 1758)

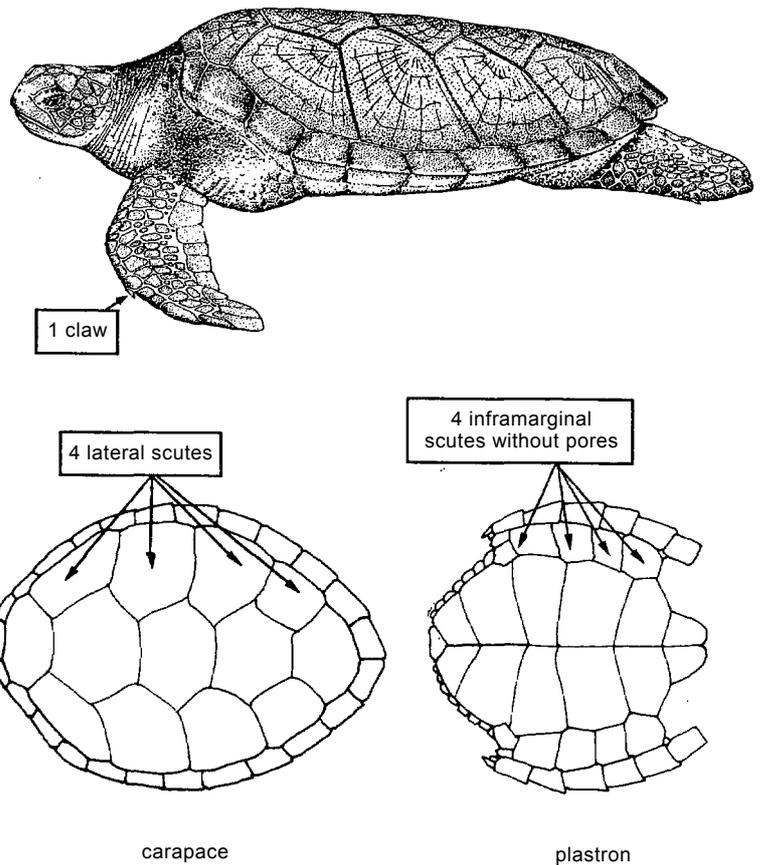
FAO names : **En** - Green sea turtle; **Fr** - Tortue verte; **Sp** - Tortuga blanca.

Size : 105 cm (carapace length), common to 90 cm.

Habitat : shallow coastal waters over vegetated bottoms.

Remarks : adults, nestlings and eggs are protected by law in many countries.

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Eretmochelys imbricata (Linnaeus, 1758)

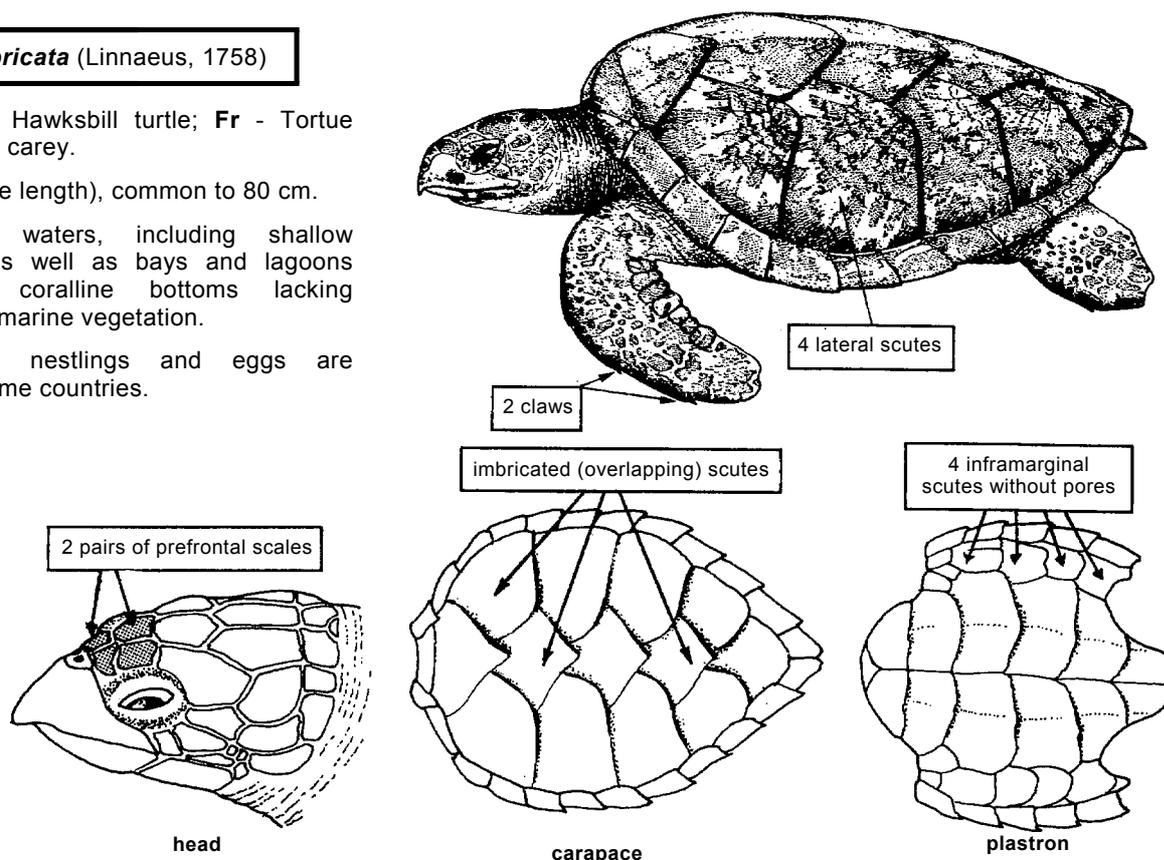
FAO names : **En** - Hawksbill turtle; **Fr** - Tortue caret; **Sp** - Tortuga de Carey.

Size : 90 cm (carapace length), common to 80 cm.

Habitat : coastal waters, including shallow vegetated bottoms as well as bays and lagoons with muddy and coralline bottoms lacking extensive beds of submarine vegetation.

Remarks : adults, nestlings and eggs are protected by law in some countries.

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***Lepidochelys olivacea*** (Eschscholtz, 1829)

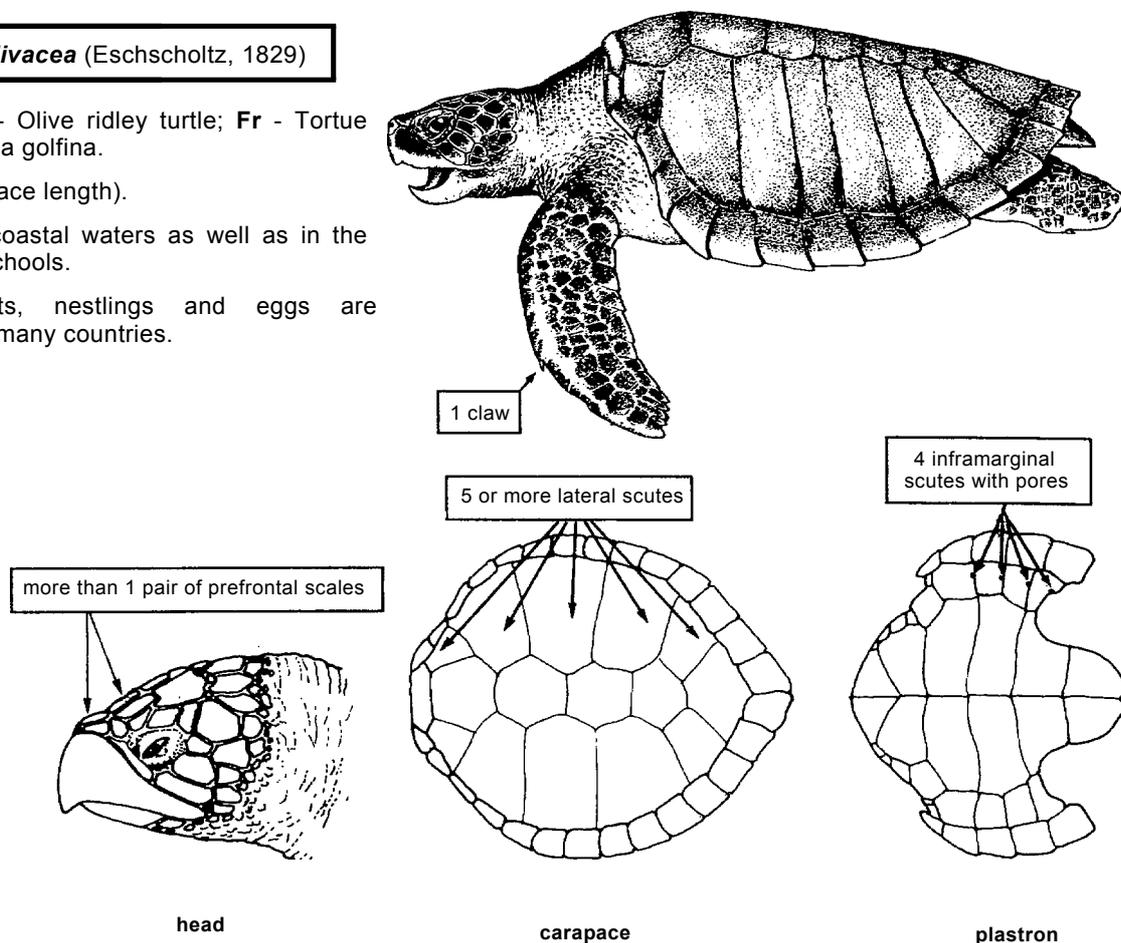
FAO names : **En** - Olive ridley turtle; **Fr** - Tortue olivâtre; **Sp** - Tortuga golfina.

Size : 75 cm (carapace length).

Habitat : shallow coastal waters as well as in the open sea forming schools.

Remarks : adults, nestlings and eggs are protected by law in many countries.

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Dermochelys coriacea coriacea (Linnaeus, 1758)

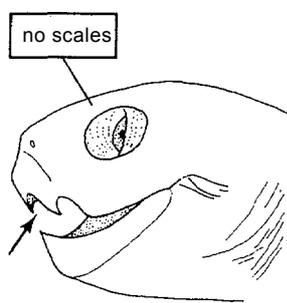
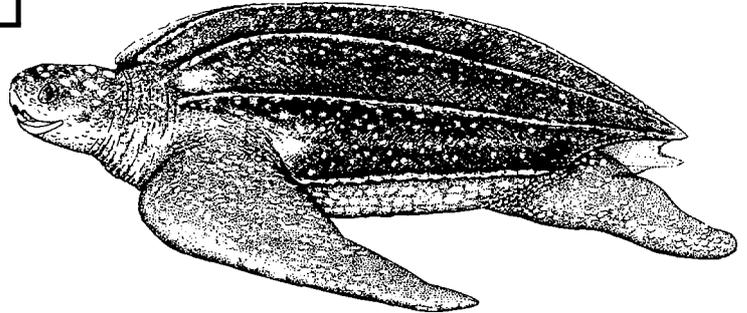
FAO names : **En** - Leatherback turtle; **Fr** - Tortue luth; **Sp** - Tortuga laúd.

Size : ca 260 cm (carapace length), common to 180 cm.

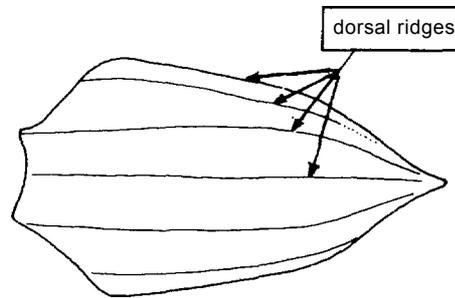
Habitat : pelagic and highly migratory.

Remarks : adults, hatchlings and eggs are protected in some countries.

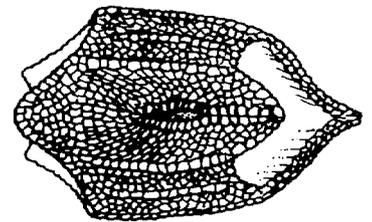
Loc.name(s) :



head



carapace



plastron