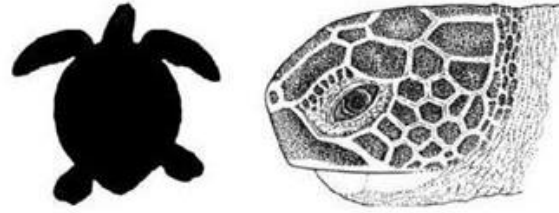
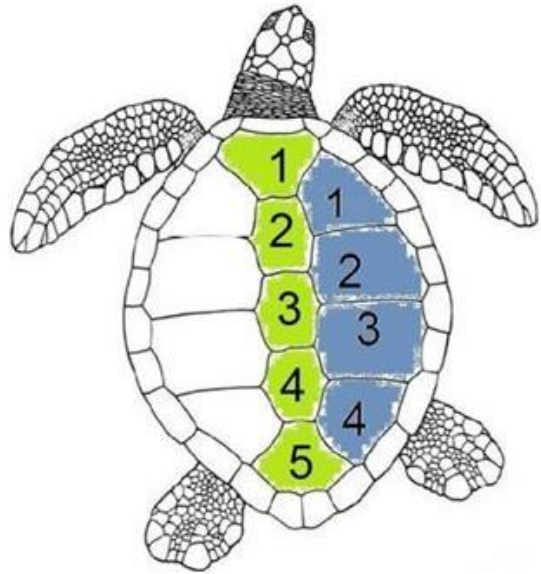


CM: Green turtle

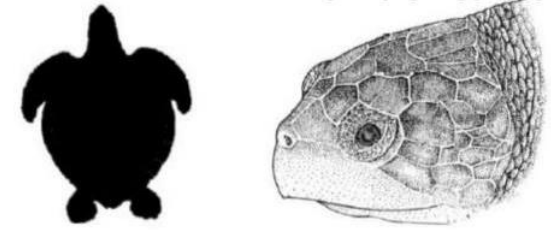
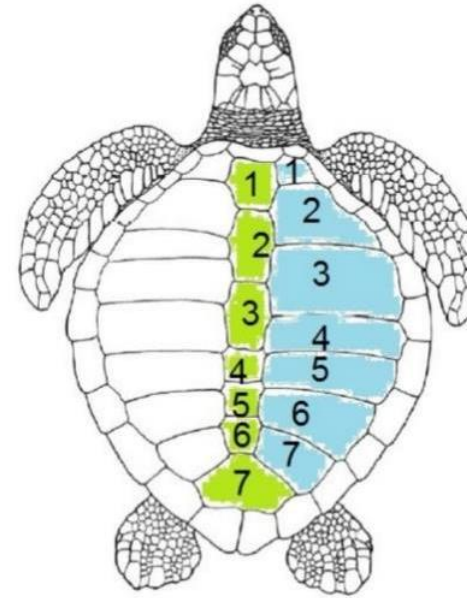


Special features:

- 4 lateral scutes
- non-overlapping scutes
- rounded head profile
- associated with seagrass
- size: juveniles <60cm
adults >80cm

- snout is short and beak unhooked.
- The dorsal surface of the head has a single pair of prefrontal scales.
- Its carapace is composed of five central scutes flanked by four pairs of lateral scutes.
- The carapace is smooth and gray, green, brown or black.

LO: Olive-ridley turtle

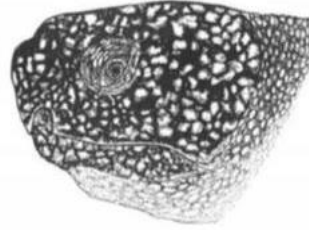
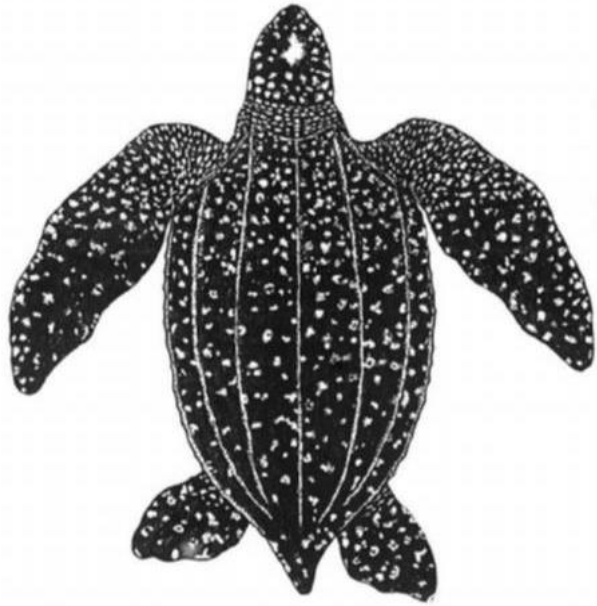


Special features:

- almost circular
- usually small (<70cm)
- 5 to 9 lateral scutes
- triangular head
- very rare in the Red Sea

- * Carapace is nearly circular and has 6 or more lateral scutes.
- * Front and rear flippers have 1 or 2 claws
- * Triangular head with light cheeks, grayish-olive coloration.
- * Diet: Wide variety of algae and invertebrates
- * The incubation period is usually between 45 and 51 days

DC: *Leatherback turtle*

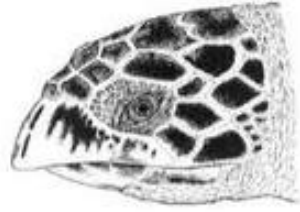
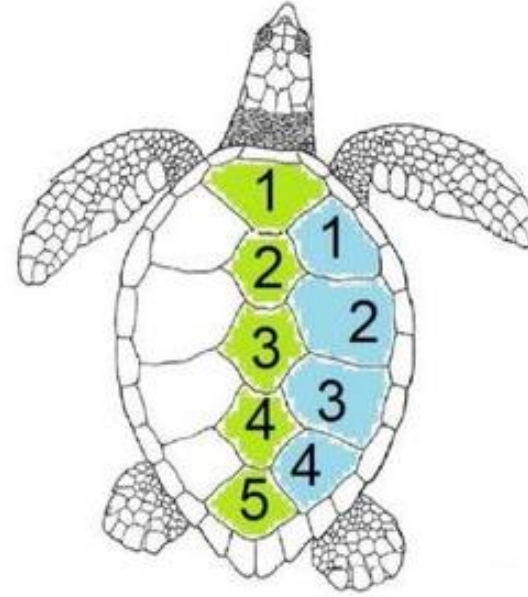


Special features:

- large (up to 2m)
- flexible carapace
- longitudinal ridges
- black with white spots

- Lacks hard shell and head has deeply notched upper jaw with 2 cusps.
- Carapace is large, elongated and flexible with 7 distinct ridges running the length of the animal.
- Carapace does not have scales, except in hatchlings. All flippers are without claws.
- Carapace is dark grey or black with white or pale spots, while hatchlings have white blotches on carapace.

EI: *Hawksbill turtle*



Special features:

- 4 lateral scutes
- scutes overlapping
- serrated posterior shell
- bird-like beak
- associated with corals
- size: juveniles <50cm
adults >60cm

- Head is narrow and has 2 pairs of prefrontal scales (scales in front of its eyes). Jaw is not serrated.
- Carapace is bony without ridges and has large, over-lapping scutes (scales) present and has 4 lateral scutes.
- Carapace is elliptical in shape. Flippers have 2 claws. The carapace is orange, brown or yellow
- Hatchlings are mostly brown with pale blotches on scutes.