

meet the turtles

The seven sea turtle species that grace our oceans belong to an evolutionary lineage that dates back at least 110 million years. Sea turtles fall into two main subgroups: (a) the unique family *Dermochelyidae*, which consists of a single species, the leatherback, and (b) the family *Cheloniidae*, which comprises the six species of hard-shelled sea turtles.



Kemp's ridley
Lepidochelys kempii

CR



Olive ridley
Lepidochelys olivacea

VU



Hawksbill
Eretmochelys imbricata

CR



Flatback
Natator depressus

DD



Loggerhead
Caretta caretta

VU



Green
Chelonia mydas

EN

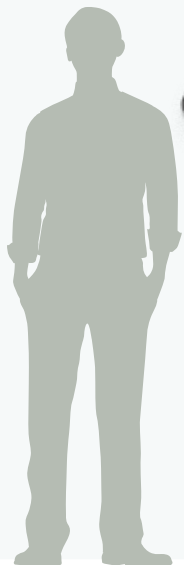
IUCN RED LIST STATUS:

- CR** Critically Endangered
- EN** Endangered
- VU** Vulnerable
- DD** Data Deficient



Leatherback
Dermochelys coriacea

VU



Visit www.SeaTurtleStatus.org to learn more about all seven sea turtle species!

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