

meet the turtles

The seven sea turtle species that grace our oceans belong to a unique evolutionary lineage that dates back at least 110 million years. Sea turtles fall into two main subgroups: (1) the unique family *Dermochelyidae*, which consists of a single species, the leatherback, and (2) the family *Cheloniidae*, which comprises the six species of hard-shelled sea turtles.



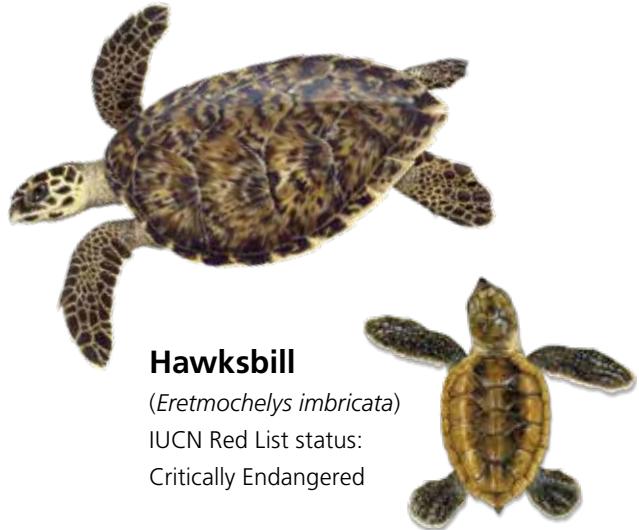
Flatback (*Natator depressus*)
IUCN Red List status: Data Deficient



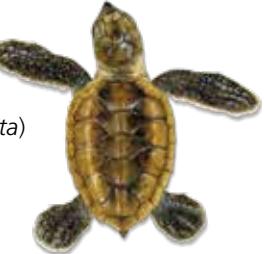
Green (*Chelonia mydas*)
IUCN Red List status: Endangered



Leatherback
(*Dermochelys coriacea*)
IUCN Red List status:
Vulnerable



Hawksbill
(*Eretmochelys imbricata*)
IUCN Red List status:
Critically Endangered



Kemp's ridley
(*Lepidochelys kempii*)
IUCN Red List status:
Critically Endangered



Loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*)
IUCN Red List status: Vulnerable



Olive ridley
(*Lepidochelys olivacea*)
IUCN Red List status:
Vulnerable



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