

Types of Sea Turtles

The seven species of sea turtles are: Loggerhead, Green, Hawksbill, Olive ridley, Flatback, and Kemp's ridley turtles in the Cheloniidae family, Leatherback turtles in the Dermochelyidae family, and Black turtles as a subspecies of Green turtles. Loggerhead, Green, and Hawksbill turtles nest in Japan. Olive ridley and Leatherback turtles migrate through Japan. Body size differs by species but all have adapted to life in the ocean and prefer warm water. Because of habitat and food differences by species, sea turtles generally do not compete with each other.