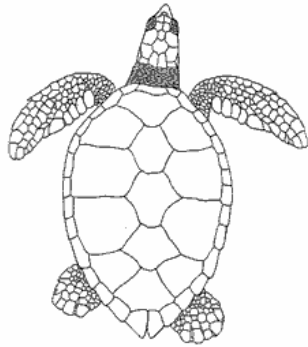
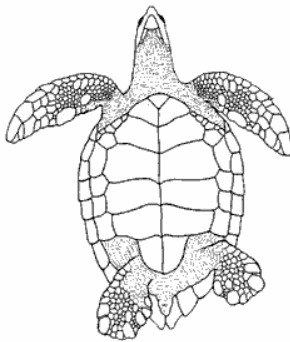


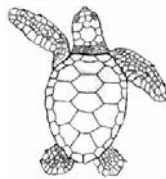
***Eretmochelys imbricata*: Hawksbill (Eng), Tortuga Carey (Sp), Tortue imbriquée (Fr)**



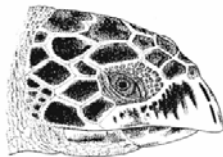
Adult (top)



Adult (bottom)



Hatchling



Head

Physical Characteristics

- Named for: Hawk-like beak
- Length-adult: Carapace (upper shell) length of 2-3 feet (ca. 60-90 cm)
- Length-hatchling: Carapace length of 1.6-1.8 in (ca. 40-45 mm)
- Weight-adult: 132-176 lb (ca. 60-80 kg)
- Color-adult: Carapace brown, black and amber; Plastron (belly) yellow
- Color-hatchling: Uniform in color, grey or brown

Caribbean Reproduction/Nesting

- Peak nesting: April-November
- Number of nests: On average, 4-5 times per season at 14-15 day intervals
- Average clutch size: about 160 eggs per nest
- Incubation time: 50-75 days

Global Status

- Critically Endangered (World Conservation Union: IUCN *Red List*); international trade prohibited by CITES; Protected (Annex II) by the Protocol concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife (SPAW) to the UNEP *Cartagena Convention*; Protected by the Interamerican Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles.

