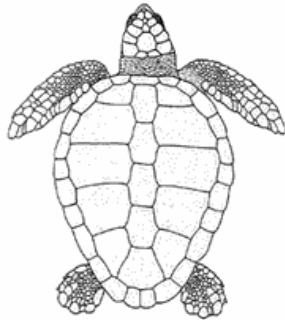
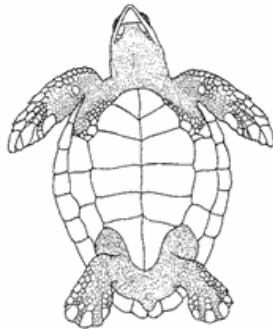


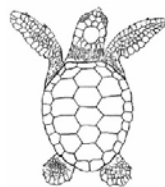
***Caretta caretta*: Loggerhead (Eng), Caguama (Sp), Caouanne (Fr)**



**Adult (top)**



**Adult (bottom)**



**Hatchling**



**Head**

***Physical Characteristics***

- Named for: Relatively large head (up to 10 inches [25 cm] in width)
- Length-adult: Carapace (upper shell) length of 3-4 feet (ca. 1-1.2 m)
- Length-hatchling: Carapace length of 1.7-1.8 in (ca. 44-48 mm)
- Weight-adult: to 400 lb (ca. 100-180 kg)
- Color-adult: Carapace reddish-brown; plastron (belly) light yellow to light brown
- Color-hatchling: Uniform in color, red-brown to grey-black

***Caribbean Reproduction/Nesting***

- Peak nesting: May-July
- Number of nests: On average, 3-4 per season at 13-15-day intervals
- Average clutch size: 100-120 eggs per nest
- Incubation time: ca. 50-75 days

***Global Status***

- Endangered (World Conservation Union: IUCN *Red List*); international trade is 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.

