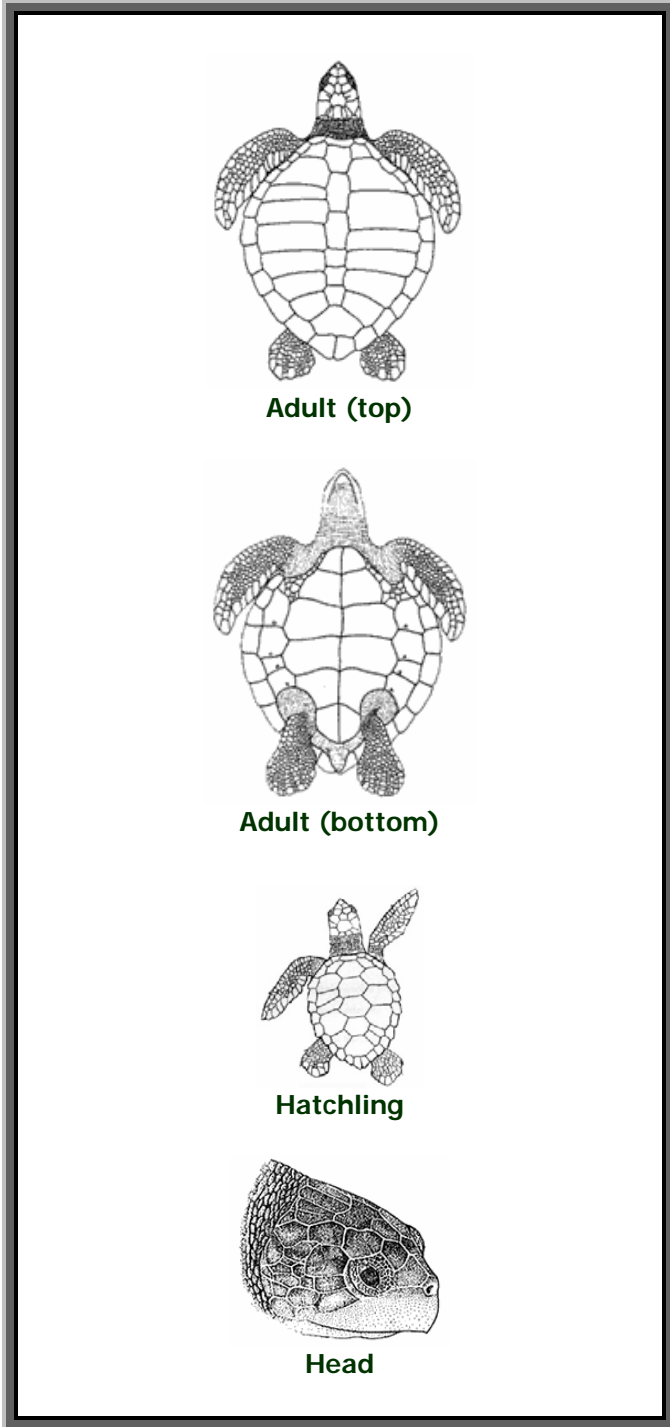


***Lepidochelys olivacea*: Olive ridley (Eng), Golfina (Sp), Tortue olivâtre (Fr)**



Physical Characteristics

- Length-adult: Carapace (upper shell) length of 2-2.5 ft (ca. 60-75 cm)
- Length-hatchling: Carapace length of 1.5-2 in (ca. 38-50 mm)
- Weight: 75-110 lb (ca. 35-50 kg)
- Color-adult: Carapace dark grey/green; Plastron (belly) yellowish-white
- Color-hatchling: Uniform in color, grayish black

Caribbean Reproduction/Nesting

- Peak nesting: April-August
- Number of nests: On average, 1-2 times per season at 17-30 day intervals
- Average clutch size: 105-115 eggs per nest
- Incubation time: about 55 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 (SPA) to the UNEP *Cartagena Convention*; Protected by the Interamerican Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles.

