

# HAVE YOU SEEN ME?

## Florida East Coast Diamondback Terrapin



*Malaclemys terrapin tequesta*



carapace



adult



JUVENILE



Plastron

Live in brackish water such as the Indian River Lagoon  
Identified by their spotted skin, knobby carapace & orange plastron

**Carapace Length:** Adult Females – 8 inches  
Adult Males – 5 inches

**Hatchlings or Juveniles:** 1 inch or greater

**Threats:** Habitat loss, accidental drowning in crab traps,  
predation by animals such as raccoons

**Breeding Season:** March – April

**Nesting Season:** April – July

**Hatchlings Emerge:** June – October



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**Please report Diamondback Terrapin sightings to:**

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*Location, GPS coordinates and pictures are greatly appreciated!*