SEA TURTLE CONSERVATION

AKUMAL, MEXICO





A green sea turtle makes her way back to sea after nesting into the early morning.

Background

Six of the seven species of sea turtles are listed as threatened or endangered. Two of these species nest on the beaches of Akumal.

Since 1993 Centro Ecológico Akumal has been working for the protection and conservation of the two species of marine turtles-- the Loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) and the Green (*Chelonia mydas*) who nest each year from May through to November in the following beaches in Akumal: Akumal Bay, South Akumal, Jade Beach and Half Moon Bay.

CEA staff measures a nesting female as part of our data collection process and requirements.

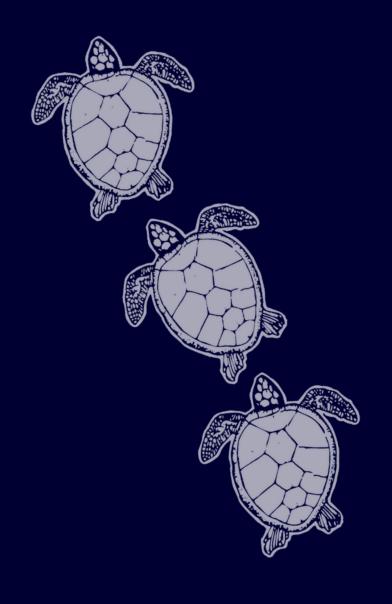
Our Work

During nesting season, CEA staff and volunteers patrol the beaches of Akumal in search of nesting females and hatchlings. The activities include:

- protecting and tagging nesting females
- locating and marking nests with stakes and GPS coordinates
- obtaining scientific data, and
- in extreme cases, relocating eggs to more favorable locations

Wishlist Season 2021

<u>CONCEPT</u>	QUANTITY
Permanent Ink markers	20
Latex gloves	1000
Plastic boxes	6
Tape Measure 2 mts	5
Tape Measure 30 mts	3
AA Rechargeable Batteries	8
AAA rechargeable batteries	18
Battery charger	3
Lantern with red light type miner	6
Standard tweezers formarking	4
Walkie talkie	5
Polines 10 CM X 100 CM	17
T-shirt bags	1 kg
Project information banners	4
Backpacks	4
Raincoats	4
Shovel	6
Rakes	6
First aid kit	4
ID Badges	50
Uniforms	20



Adopt a turtle





ADOPT A BABY TURTLE

(Your adoption includes):

 An official adoption certificate, sent via mail in PDF format.



NAME A TURTLE

(Your adoption includes):

- An official adoption certificate, sent via mail in PDF format.
- Tag number and naming of your turtle.
- Updates about your tagged turtle.



ADOPT A NEST / FAMILY OF TURTLES

(Your adoption includes):

- An official adoption certificate, sent via mail in PDF format.
- Updates and facts about your turtle family (nest).
- A photo of your adopted nest.



ADOPT NOW

Print our DAILY CHECKLIST FOR TURTLE SEASON

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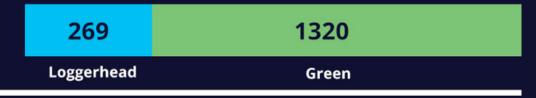
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TOTAL NEST 2019



TOTAL NEST 2020



TOTAL NEST / BEACH 2020

loggerheads + greens

