

# NORTHERN LONG-NECKED TURTLE



# Northern Long-necked Turtle,

Chelodina rugosa

### **Carapace Length**

360mm

#### **Head and Neck**

Around 200-250mm

#### Identification

Long thick neck with a broad, strongly depressed head.
Carapace oval with no up turned edges. Dark black to brown above with yellow to cream below. All feet are webbed with claws.

#### **Behaviour**

Tends to hide under and between rocks and logs where possible or buries itself in the mud to act as an ambush predator to fish, amphibian, and invertebrate prey

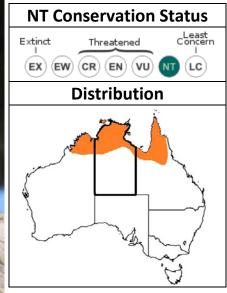
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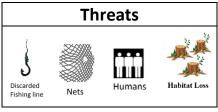
The eggs are laid under the water in a submerged burrow. When the water level drops eggs begin to develop.

#### Habitat

Found in slow moving freshwater creeks, billabongs and rivers of Northern Australia, from the Cape York Peninsula westward to the Kimberley District of Western Australia.















Up Close Swimming Underside Foot