



# NORTHERN LONG-NECKED TURTLE



<b>Northern Long-necked Turtle,</b> <i>Chelodina rugosa</i>
<b>Carapace Length</b> 360mm
<b>Head and Neck</b> Around 200-250mm
<b>Identification</b> 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.
<b>Behaviour</b> 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
<b>Reproduction</b> The eggs are laid under the water in a submerged burrow. When the water level drops eggs begin to develop.
<b>Habitat</b> 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.



<b>NT Conservation Status</b>		
Extinct EX	Threatened EW CR EN VU	Least Concern LC
NT		
<b>Distribution</b>		
<b>Threats</b>		
Discarded Fishing line	Nets	Humans
		Habitat Loss



Up Close



Swimming



Underside



Foot