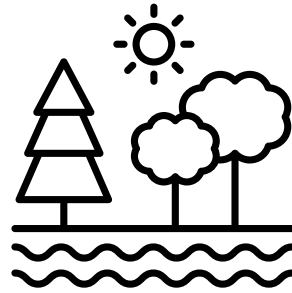




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DID YOU KNOW? EASTERN BOX TURTLE

Found in the eastern U.S., it is notable for its patterned, dome-shaped and hinged shell that can close tightly for protection. Preferring moist, forested areas, it often buries and camouflages itself in leaf litter.

Conservation is crucial due to habitat loss and the pet trade.

FUN FACTS

- ✓ Can live over 50 years in the wild
- ✓ Loves to eat native May Apple in spring
- ✓ Eats insects, plants, worms, small mammals
- ✓ Each individual shell is a unique fingerprint
- ✓ Prefers a home range of just a few acres so leave them alone!
- ✓ Average speed about 0.2 mph

