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“ HAWKSBILL TURTLE”

Hawksbills have narrow pointed bills, which make them easy to distinguish from Hawaiian Green Turtles. The edges of the carapace are slightly serrated. Nesting season is from May through November,



with the most amounts of nests found on MOLOKAI. They feed mainly on sponges and other marine invertebrates. They are listed on the ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT and also protected under Hawaii State Law. It is illegal to harass them. Unfortunately, they are not protected in other parts of the world. It is illegal to bring items made from their shells into the United States. Males can grow to 3 ft. and weigh up to 300#.

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WATER TEMP.: 75 DEPTH: 33'
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