



Have you seen me?

Diamondback Terrapin
Malaclemys terrapin

This is a Diamondback Terrapin. Have you ever seen one of these turtles? The Taunton River Watershed Alliance is currently conducting research on this species. If so, please send a photograph and location to the Taunton River Watershed Alliance at:

director@savethetaunton.org



Taunton River Watershed Alliance (TRWA) **Diamond Back Terrapin Population Study**

Terrapins can be found in brackish water and salt marsh habitat. During summer months, female terrapins leave the water to lay eggs above the high tide line in sandy/rocky areas. The females are larger than males. Shell coloration can vary from almost all black to a patterned light gold/brown. They are also prone to getting caught in crab traps in search of food.

To report sightings/by-catch, email photographs and location to director@savethetaunton.org. If you have laying females on your property and would like us to install screening to prevent nest predation by skunks and racoons you can contact us at the same address.



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