

Wood Turtle

Glyptemys insculpta

Identification

- 5.5 – 8 inches.
- Orange on neck, limbs and underside of tail.
- Rough carapace with each scute forming an irregular pyramid.
- Carapace may be overall brown or flecked with yellow.
- **Habitat** – Equally at home in woods, meadows and streams. It's preference is for cool clean streams with gravel or cobble bottoms, i.e. trout streams. Hibernates in streams.
- **Threats** – Nest predation, cars, and agricultural machinery, as these turtles often wander into hayfields, etc.
- **Conservation Status**
Species of Concern

