

EAST AUSTRALIAN Freshwater Turtles

Identification guide to Genera



A

Chelodina (Chelodina)



B

Chelodina (Chelydera)



C

Elseya



D

Wollumbinia



E

Elusor



F

Emydura



G

Rheodytes



H

Introduced pest

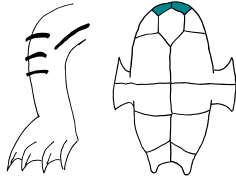
Identification key

Stripes along neck and legs.

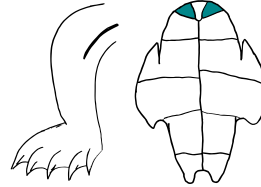
No stripes along neck and legs.

Introduced pest species

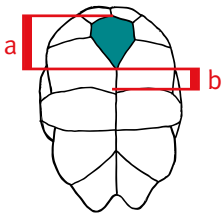
Forelimbs with 4 claws, gular scales touching



Forelimbs with 5 claws, gular scales separated

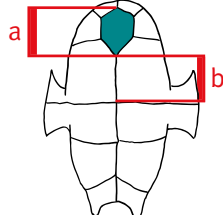


Intergular (a) twice length of suture between pectorals (b)



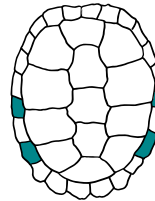
Genus *Chelodina* (*Chelondina*)

Intergular (a) similar in length to suture between pectorals (b)

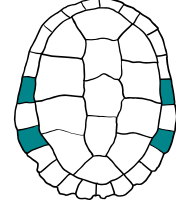


Genus *Chelodina* (*Chelydera*)

2nd/3rd costal division match up with 7th marginal, 3rd/4th costal division match up with 9th marginal

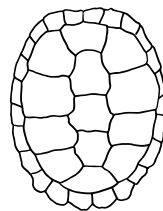


2nd/3rd costal division match up with 6th marginal, 3rd/4th costal division match up with 8th marginal

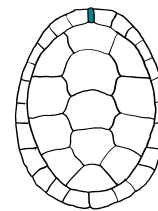


Genus *Rheodytes*

Nuchal usually absent



Nuchal usually present



Pointed tubercles on neck, temporal not smooth, small raised scutes

Genus *Elusor*

No pointed tubercles on neck, temporal smooth with flat scutes

Genus *Emydura*

Intergular equal width or wider than gular

Genus *Wollumbinia*

Intergular narrower than gular

Genus *Elseya*