

Rock Creek Park



POKEY

Species: Eastern Box Turtle
Terrapene carolina

Found in the eastern United States these terrestrial* turtles primary habitats are forests, meadows, and swamps. Opportunistic omnivores** favorite foods include: flowers, roots, snails, worms, fish, and even carrion***. Red eyes are a distinguishable trait of males as females have yellowish brown eyes. Females will nest in summer laying between 3 to 8 eggs at a time. Lifespans of eastern box turtles have been known to reach up to 100 years.

*Lives on land **eats plants and other animals ***dead animals

Hatched: August 1995

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