# Turtle Species of the Kingston Area

## Learn about turtle species of the Kingston Area!

## **Snapping Turtle**

Snapping turtles are a large species of freshwater turtle. It's named for its aggression when out of the water and its strong beak. They can live to be 100!



Photo: Mark Conboy

# Blanding's Turtle

The Blanding's turtle is a medium-sized turtle easily identified by a bright yellow throat and chin that lives in shallow water.



Photo: Mark Conboy

#### Painted Turtle

The Painted turtle is the most widespread native turtle of North America. The top shell is smooth with olive skin and yellow, red or orange stripes.



Photo: David Lougheed

# Northern Map Turtle

The Northern Map Turtle gets its name from the yellow and red lines on its top shell that resemble a map. It also has a yellow spot behind its eye.



Photo: David Sutter

### Eastern Musk Turtle

The Eastern Musk Turtle, also known as the "Stinkpot", is a small turtle with an arched top shell. It has two distinctive yellow stripes on the side of its head.

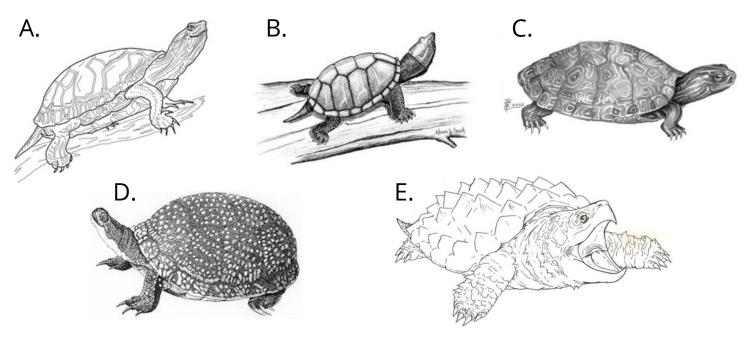


Photo: Nick Cairns



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Match the turtle to their species and add some colour!



1. Snapping Turtle 2. Painted Turtle 3. Blanding's Turtle 4. Eastern Musk Turtle 5. Northern Map Turtle

#### Turtle True or False

- 1. True or False: Eastern Musk Turtles produce a skunk-like odour when disturbed. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. True or False: The Painted Turtle and the Blanding's Turtle both have red or orange markings on their sides. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. True or False: Northern Map Turtles breathe through their bums while they hibernate in the winter. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. True or False: Baby Snapping Turtles are the size of a loonie when hatched. \_\_\_\_\_

