

TURTLE NEST NUMBERS FROM GASPARILLA ISLAND STATE PARKS AND CAYO COSTA

CAYO COSTA- 557 LOGGERHEAD
14 GREEN
35,190 HATCHLINGS

GASPARILLA- 53 LOGGERHEAD
6 GREEN
2,966 HATCHLINGS

Shorebird Nesting Season: February 15 - August 31

REMEMBER:

- Give them space.
 - Stay back from roped-off areas.
 - Keep pets that might travel the beach away from roped-off nesting areas.
 - Dispose of trash properly. Birds could get stuck or eat something that might prove to be fatal.
 - Do not use flashlights or cell phones on the beach at night.
- Call (941) 613-3220 if you have any questions.



REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING Week Ending, August 26, 2022

ZONE	Loggerhead Nests	Loggerhead False Crawls	Green Nests	Green False Crawls
1	45	73	4	0
2	86	97	1	0
3	99	117	4	2
4	155	134	23	10
5	145	115	6	5
6	128	114	2	3
7	103	89	1	1
8	126	59	3	3
Totals	887	798	44	24

Information provided courtesy of the Boca Grande Sea Turtle Association

During sea turtle nesting season, all beach furniture should be taken in by dusk to avoid entrapment of nesting mothers. All holes dug in the beach should be filled in as well, to avoid mama and baby turtles from falling in and becoming stuck. All lights facing the beach on homes should be extinguished, and curtains should be closed.

For concerns about sea turtle nests, nesting sea turtles or hatchlings, call the Sea Turtle Conservation and Research Program at (941) 388-4331. If you see an entangled, stranded or dead manatee, harassment of dolphins, manatees or turtles, or disturbance of nests, call the FWC Wildlife Alert hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922), #FWC, *FWC on your cellular phone, or use VHF Channel 16 on your marine radio.

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