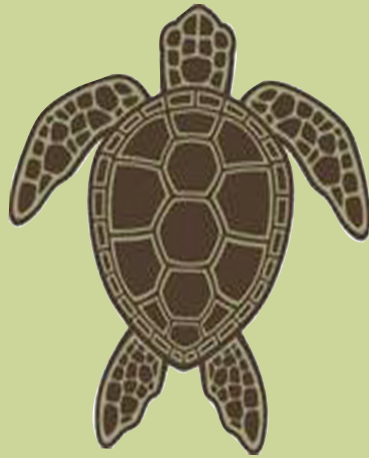





■ A call from a kayaker about a distressed hatchling turned into a rescue by a Boca Grande Sea Turtle Association patroller. Volunteer Alicia was on the scene in minutes and transported the hatchling to Mote for rehab and release. Many thanks to both kayaker Brandy and Alicia. Photos provided by the BGSTA.

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 sand should be filled in as well, to keep mama and baby turtles from falling in and becoming stuck.
- By dusk, all lights facing the beach – interior or exterior – on beach homes should be off (or turtle-friendly lighting should be installed) and/or curtains should be closed.



For concerns about sea turtle nests, nesting sea turtles or hatchlings, 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. If you see an entangled, stranded or dead manatee, harassment of dolphins, manatees or turtles, or disturbance of nests, call the FWC as well.



REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING
August 11, 2023

ZONE	CC NESTS	CC FALSE CRAWLS	CM NESTS	CM FALSE CRAWLS	DEPREDACTIONS
1	28	78	0	1	1
2	46	70	1	0	6
3	70	109	3	1	4
4	118	127	9	7	7
5	170	164	3	8	13
6	128	216	4	5	5
7	89	184	1	8	4
8	109	127	5	20	26
TOTALS	758	1,075	26	50	66

Information provided courtesy of the Boca Grande Sea Turtle Association

GASPARILLA ISLAND STATE PARKS AND CAYO COSTA TURTLE NUMBERS

CAYO COSTA

539 LOGGERHEAD
16 GREEN

13,067 HATCHLINGS

GASPARILLA ISLAND STATE PARK

57 LOGGERHEAD
9 GREEN

2,098 HATCHLINGS

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