

Species tracks and nest description

- *Caretta caretta*:

Tracks width: typically, 70-90 cm

Type of tracks: moderately deeply cut, with asymmetrical diagonal marks made by the forelimbs. Typically, no tail drags mark.

Preferred beach type: generally extensive mainland beaches and barrier islands; moderately steep beach profile preferred.

The top layer of eggs is usually 20-35 cm below the surface of the sand while the bottom of egg chamber is about 35-55 cm deep.

The diameter of the chamber is about 13-18 cm on top about 5 cm lower down.

Distance from the sea: 2,5-4 m

- *Chelonia mydas*:

Tracks width: typically, about 100-130 cm but variable.

Type of tracks: deeply cut, with symmetrical diagonal markings made by the forelimbs. Straight, central tail drags marks present, either as a solid or a broken line.

Preferred beach type: ranges from large, open beaches to small cove beaches; preferably with an open offshore approach

The nest is wide and deep, and the eggs are deposited deeper than those of loggerhead.

The top layer of eggs is 45-60 cm below the surface of the sand while the bottom of egg-chamber may be 60-85 cm deep.

Distance from the Sea: 5-10m