

Greetings from Turtles!

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It's World Turtle Day!



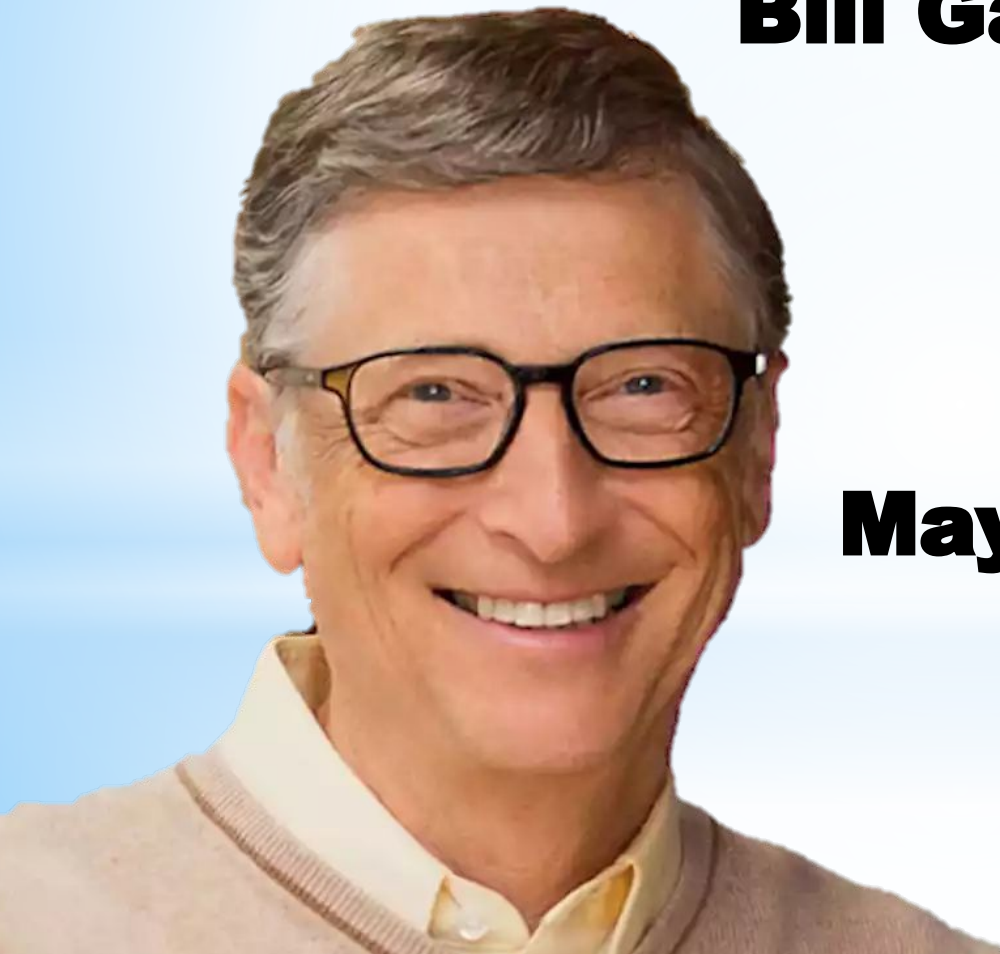
And I've popped out
to wish you a day
full of happiness
and **SMILES!**



**When did
World
Turtle
Day
start?**

In 2000

In 2000, the year that the summer Olympics were held in Sydney, that Florida electoral boards poured over hanging chads, and Microsoft founder Bill Gates stepped down to focus on his foundation—the American Tortoise Rescue declared May 23rd World Turtle Day.





The goal is to “help people celebrate and protect turtles and tortoises and their disappearing habitats around the world.”



**Turtles live on every continent
except for Antarctica .**



Only
about 1 in
1000 sea
turtle
eggs
survive to
adulthood

100
500
1000



**Majority of
turtle shells
are covered
in scutes
and made up
of
approximately _____
bones.**



30

60

100



Turtles spend most of their lives in water. They are adapted for aquatic life, with webbed feet or flippers and a streamlined body. Sea turtles rarely leave the ocean, except to lay eggs in the sand.

Freshwater turtles live in ponds and lakes, and they climb out of the water onto logs or rocks to bask in the warm sun.



Tortoises are land animals. Their feet are round and stumpy, adapted for walking on land. They also dig burrows with their strong forelimbs, and

slip
underground

When the sun gets too hot.



**Terrapins live on land and in water,
usually in swamps, ponds, lakes
and rivers .**



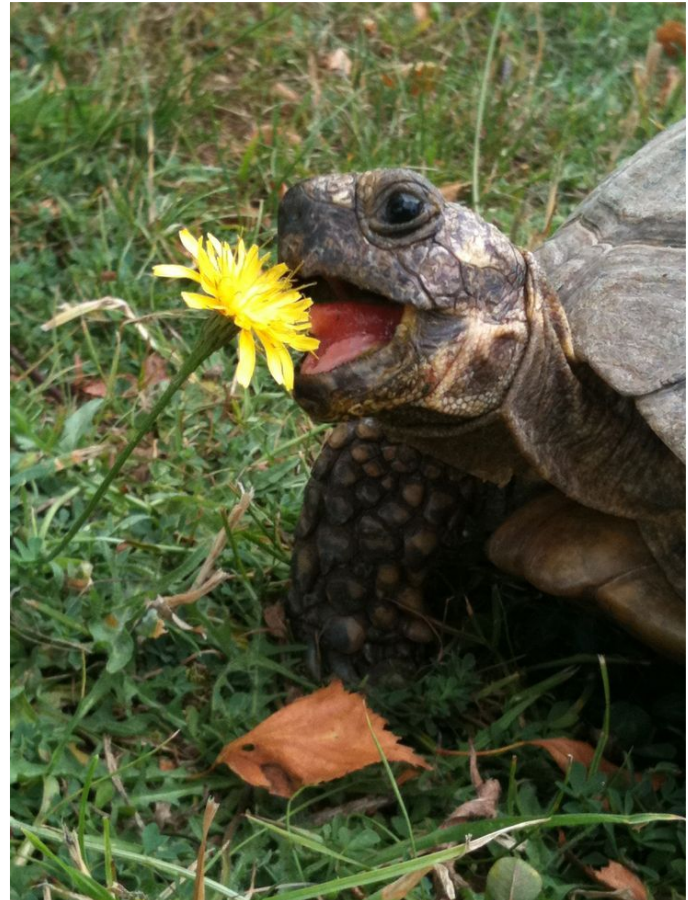
Turtles are not silent creatures. Some sound like electric motors, some sound like belching humans and some bark like dogs. The red-footed tortoise from South America clucks like a _____ **chicken**



goose
duck
chicken

Most turtles are omnivores; they eat a variety of different things, depending on their species. Musk turtles eat mollusks, plants, small fish and insects. The cooter turtle is mostly vegetarian, and the green sea turtle only eats grasses and algae .


algae
fish
insects



All turtles lay eggs. They find a place on land to lay their eggs, dig a nest into the sand or dirt and then walk away. No species of turtle nurtures their young.

nest
hole
crack



A green tortoise is shown floating in space, with the Earth visible in the background. The tortoise is positioned in the lower half of the frame, facing left. The Earth is a large, blue and green sphere in the center, with a rainbow-like glow around it. The background is a dark blue space with stars and other celestial bodies.

A pair of Russian tortoises went into space. In 1968, the Soviet Union launched Zond 5, a space probe that was the first spacecraft to orbit the moon. It returned safely and the tortoises survived.

weight
appetite
eyesight

They had lost about 10 percent of their body weight, but they remained active and showed no loss of appetite, according to NASA.



did you know?

A Sea turtle
can live for more
than 100 years.
that's longer
than humans
and elephants



Started by the American Tortoise Rescue (ATR) in 2000, the annually celebrated day shines a spotlight on care, conservation and awareness of the oldest living reptiles in the world.



Remember !

People celebrate World Turtle Day around the globe through various means and methods. Some create awareness by promoting turtles and tortoises through social media networks. Others choose to celebrate by wearing turtle-themed clothing such as T-shirts or hats and by teaching children about tortoises and turtles. Some may choose this time to donate to charities, rescue groups, and organizations that specialize in tortoise and turtle care and conservation.



**Thank You for Visiting
Happy Turtle Day!**

Have a Happy Day



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Источник

Turtle <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Turtle>

It's World Turtle Day, so here are a bunch of adorable turtles <http://www.popsoci.com/world-turtle-day-pictures>

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