



CARING FOR YOUR YELLOW BELLY SLIDER TURTLE

Scientific Name: *Trachemys Scripta Scripta*
Native to: *Alabama to Virginia*
Maximum Length: 5 - 12 inches
Life Span: 20 - 30 years



CHARACTERISTICS:

The yellow bellied slider turtles are native to the southeastern United States from Alabama to Virginia. The yellow-bellied slider is a land and water turtle belonging to the family Emydidae.

CARE TIPS:

Enclosure: 75 gallon tank or larger, water 16-18 inches deep

Substrate: reptile sand or even fine pea gravel.

Habitat: These turtles are natively found near freshwater lakes, ponds, streams, and rivers. Therefore provide your turtle with an aquarium with water deep enough to swim and a basking area where they can get completely out of the water.

Temperature and Lighting: 72 -80F degrees for water temperature and 90 - 95F degrees for basking areas are ideal.

Food and Water: yellow bellied slider turtles enjoy commercial turtle food, feeder fish, meal worms, wax worms, crickets and chopped vegetables