

Did you know..?



You can report sea turtle sightings in Southern California online @ [www.SoCalSeaTurtles.org](http://www.SoCalSeaTurtles.org)

or email:

[SWFSC.Turtle-Sightings@NOAA.gov](mailto:SWFSC.Turtle-Sightings@NOAA.gov)

In the email, try to include:

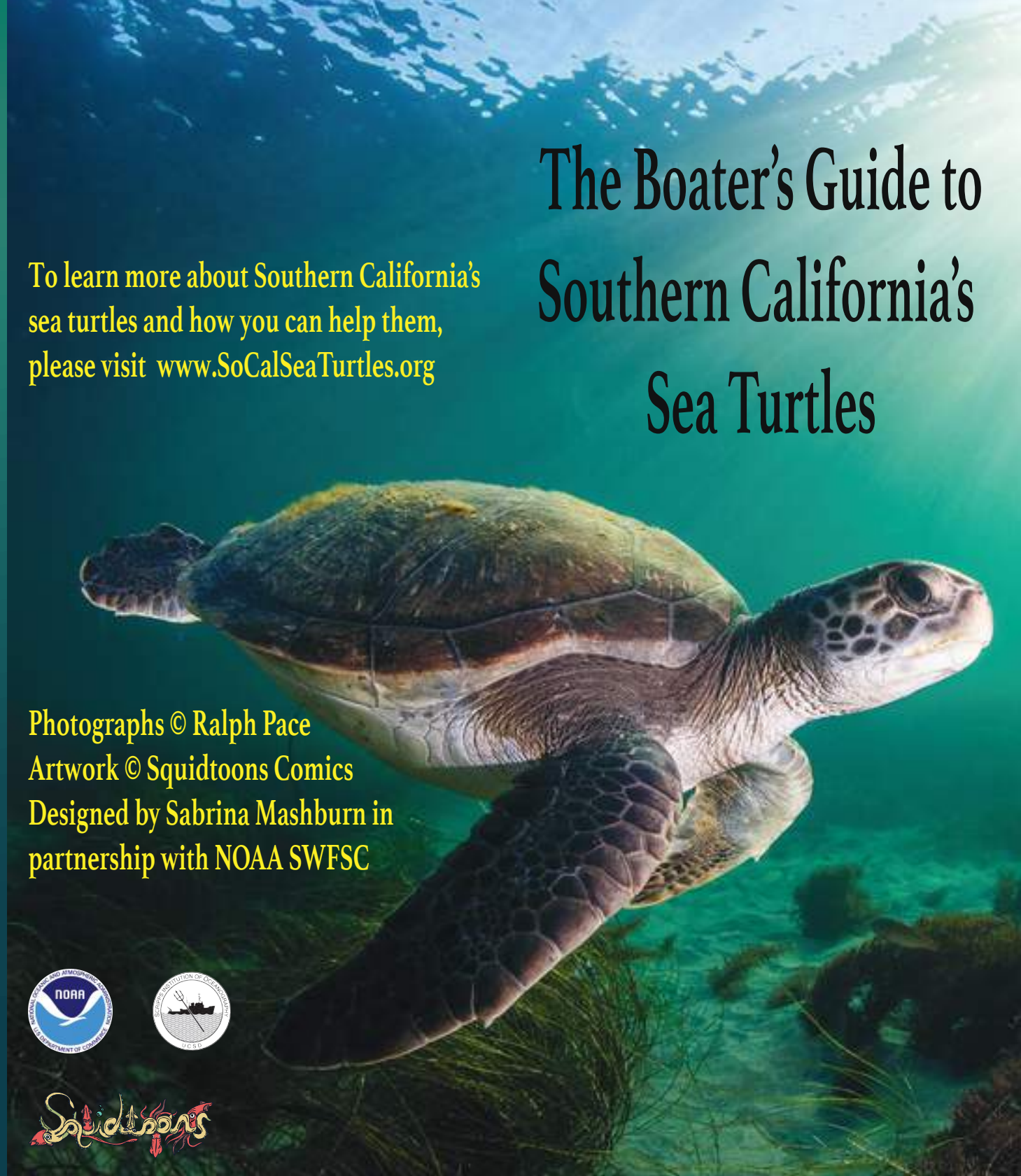
- Date & location of turtle sighting
- Turtle's behavior and condition
- Approximate length of turtle
- Species (your best guess!)
- Any photos you took of the turtle

If you find an injured, dead, or stranded sea turtle, call NOAA's Stranding Hotline: (858) 546-7162

To learn more about Southern California's sea turtles and how you can help them, please visit [www.SoCalSeaTurtles.org](http://www.SoCalSeaTurtles.org)

# The Boater's Guide to Southern California's Sea Turtles

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# Where are sea turtles usually found in Southern California?

San Gabriel River, Long Beach

Alamitos Bay, Long Beach

Seal Beach

Newport Bay

San Onofre, San Clemente

Agua Hedionda, Carlsbad

Swami's, Encinitas

La Jolla Cove, San Diego

Mission Bay, San Diego

San Diego Bay



## Did you know..?



• Collisions with motor boats are a major cause of death for sea turtles in Southern California.



• Sea turtles in Southern California have been killed by getting tangled in fishing line, nets, and plastic trash.



## How can YOU help sea turtles?

Slow boats to 5mph near shore and look for surfacing turtles.



Properly dispose of fishing line and gear in covered trash cans.



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