

Turtles of the Murray River- Fact Sheet

Eastern Long-necked Turtle (*Chelodina longicollis*)



- Most common species found on land
- About the size of a bread/side plate
- Long, slender neck
- Distinct black markings on their plastron (underside).
- Pungent smell when you pick them up

Murray Short-necked Turtle (*Emydura macquarii*)



- About the size of a dinner plate
- Most likely to be seen basking on logs
- Small chunky neck
- Not on land much, but you may see them nesting in November

Broad-shelled Turtle (*Chelodina expansa*)



- About the size of a large platter
- Least common species found on land
- Very long, slender neck with a flattened head
- Unique as they nest in Autumn (March-April)