Golden Coin Did you know?

Golden Coin Turtle O

It is called the Golden Coin Turtle because of its golden head and high monetary value. Adult male turtles are sold illegally for up to \$20,000 USD

Endangered Species O.

They are found in the freshwater streams of Southern China and Vietnam and are one of the most endangered species of turtles in the world.

O Box Turtle

It is a type of box turtle meaning it can lock its legs and head inside its shell to hide and protect from predators. It is also called the three-striped box turtle due to the stripes on its shell.

O What Do They Eat?

It survives on a diet of worms, frogs, crabs, fruits, as well as some vegetation found in the freshwater areas where it lives.

O Most Treasured Species

You can find a picture of a Golden Coin Turtle on a stamp in Vietnam where it is one of their most treasured species.

O Live up to 30 Years

Golden Coin Turtles live for up to 30 years and lay two to six eggs every nesting season in May. The eggs take up to 85 days to hatch.

O Special Medicinal Qualities

Unfortunately the Golden Coin Turtle is very close to extinction in the wild due to the illegal wildlife trade.

The reason this turtle is so valuable is

because it is believed to hold special medicinal qualities in Chinese medicine.

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The Golden Coin Turtle can be found here!