

Talking about endangered species of Reunion Island :

The green turtle is the largest of the Cheloniidae (family of turtles). The carapace measures on average 115 cm and it weighs between 80 and 130 kg. The green turtle is the only sea turtle to get out of the water to sunbathe. It is also the fastest of the sea turtles because it can reach a speed of almost 35 km/h. The green turtle is an endangered species. Today it is a protected species but before it was hunted to use its carapace, its flesh and its eggs. Their name "green turtle" comes from the color of their fat. It is thanks to the algae that they eat. On the Reunion Island there is Kelonia. It is an aquarium, a museum, a research and care center dedicated to marine turtles.

