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How Does a Sea Turtle Move?

Short Answer Key

1. Sea turtles use their front flippers like paddles, pushing themselves forward with each stroke.
2. A sea turtle's back flippers help with steering and stability while swimming.
3. Most sea turtles swim at speeds of about 1.5 to 6 miles per hour under normal conditions.
4. Female sea turtles crawl onto beaches to lay their eggs in the sand.
5. Sea turtles are unique because they can move efficiently in water and on land, though they are much faster swimmers than walkers.

