Sea Turtle Conservation Poster

Materials:

Paper

Crayons/Colored Pencils/Markers

With an adult's permission, go on <u>www.seewinter.com</u> to learn more about our sea turtle hospital. You can learn all about the rescue, rehab, and release of recent patients. After you learn about the many reasons why sea turtles have needed our help, create a conservation poster to spread the message on how you can protect sea turtles. Through learning about the issues sea turtles face and then educating others, you can make a difference!

Here is a list of ideas for you to get started:

- Plastic Pollution
- Entanglements
- Boat Strikes
- Bycatch

Pebbles is a juvenile Kemp's ridley sea turtle that was caught by a fisherman near Cedar Key on March 23, 2019. CMA rescued the sea turtle and discovered Pebbles had swallowed the fisherman's hook. CMA performed a hook removal procedure and began monitoring Pebbles' recovery. Pebbles quickly recovered from the procedure and was cleared for release by both CMA's veterinarian and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). Pebbles was released on April 4th, 2020.



All marine turtle footage taken in Florida was obtained with the approval of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) under conditions not harmful to marine turtles. Footage was acquired while conducting authorized conservation activities pursuant to FWC MTP-19-172.

