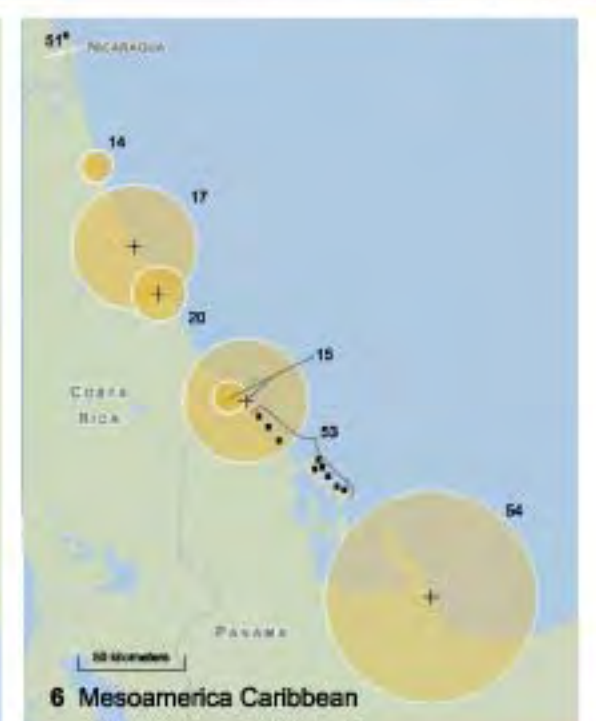
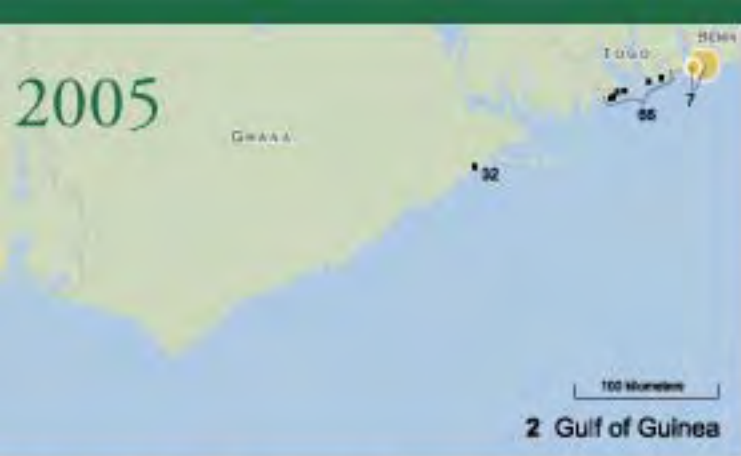


# Worldwide Leatherback Nesting Sites





2005



2 Gulf of Guinea



3 Western Pacific

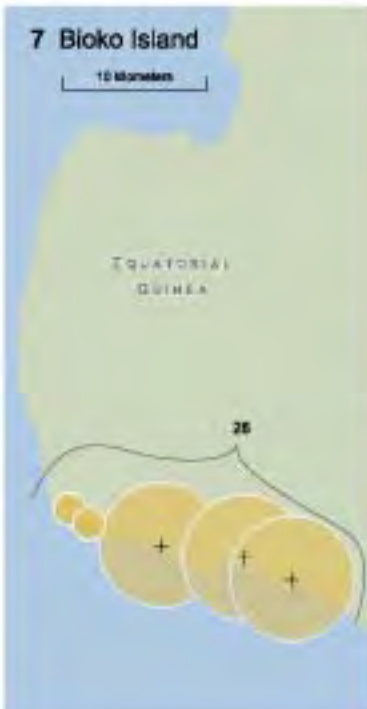


3 Western Pacific

This map illustrates the number of leatherback nests recorded at each nesting site during its 2004–2005 or 2005 nesting season. Where nest counts were not available, counts (or average counts) of nesting females were used to estimate the number of nests by using the clutch frequency from the geographically closest available beach during the same season. These estimations were used at six leatherback sites (in Benin, Guyana, Indonesia's East Java, St. Eustatius in the Antilles, and Venezuela).

If the clutch frequency from a nearby beach was not available, SWOT used that from the most well studied rookery with similar foraging habits. These rookeries are at Sandy Point, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands (for populations with primary foraging grounds in the Northern Hemisphere) and at Playa Grande, Costa Rica (for populations with primary foraging grounds in the Southern Hemisphere). Clutch frequencies during the 2004–2005 or 2005 nesting season at these sites were recorded as 4.03 and 6.44 nests per female, respectively (Garner & Coles 2005; Paladino, pers. comm.).

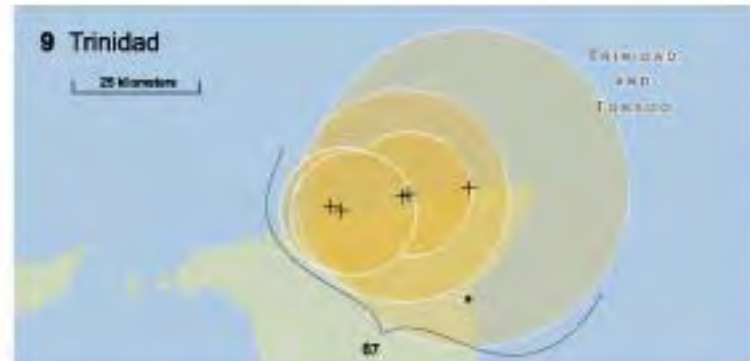
Map data come from many sources. Each point has a data record number that corresponds to a citation in the back pages of this report.



7 Bioko Island



8 Lesser Antilles



9 Trinidad

**Leatherback Nests (2005)**

- No data (2005)
- Inset maps
- Extent
- Location only

Approximately 10,000  
Up to 5,000  
2,000  
500 50 200 0

Projection: Eckert IV

Data: The SWOT Team see pages 47-48  
VMap0, National Geospatial Intelligence Agency  
Natural Earth, Tom Patterson, US National Park Service

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