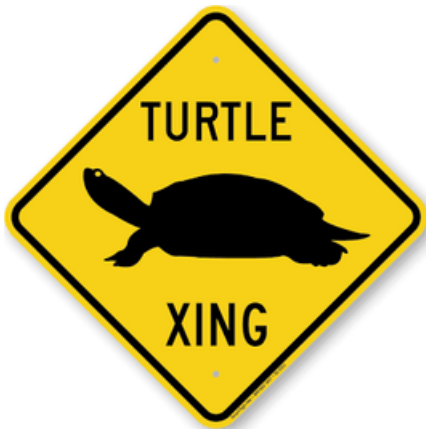




# DIY Turtle Crossing Signs

In the spring, female turtles travel from their homes in wetlands to their nesting sites on land in order to lay their eggs. This trip often involves crossing busy roads and freeways.

You can help protect these turtles from being hit by cars. Make a turtle crossing sign to remind people to be aware and watch out for turtles!



## Materials:

- Cardboard, preferably recycled (pizza box top or an unfolded Amazon box will work)
- Pencil to sketch out the sign
- Markers or paint to make it bright
- Ruler can help with straight lines and lettering
- Tape or staples to attach your sign to a post in your yard or driveway

## Things to include:

- A drawing or photograph of a turtle
- Large lettering so the sign can be read by people in passing cars
- A warning about turtles in the road (“watch out!” or “Turtle Xing”)
- If you can, make it double sided so people in cars can see it from both directions

Take photos of your signs and tag us on social media.



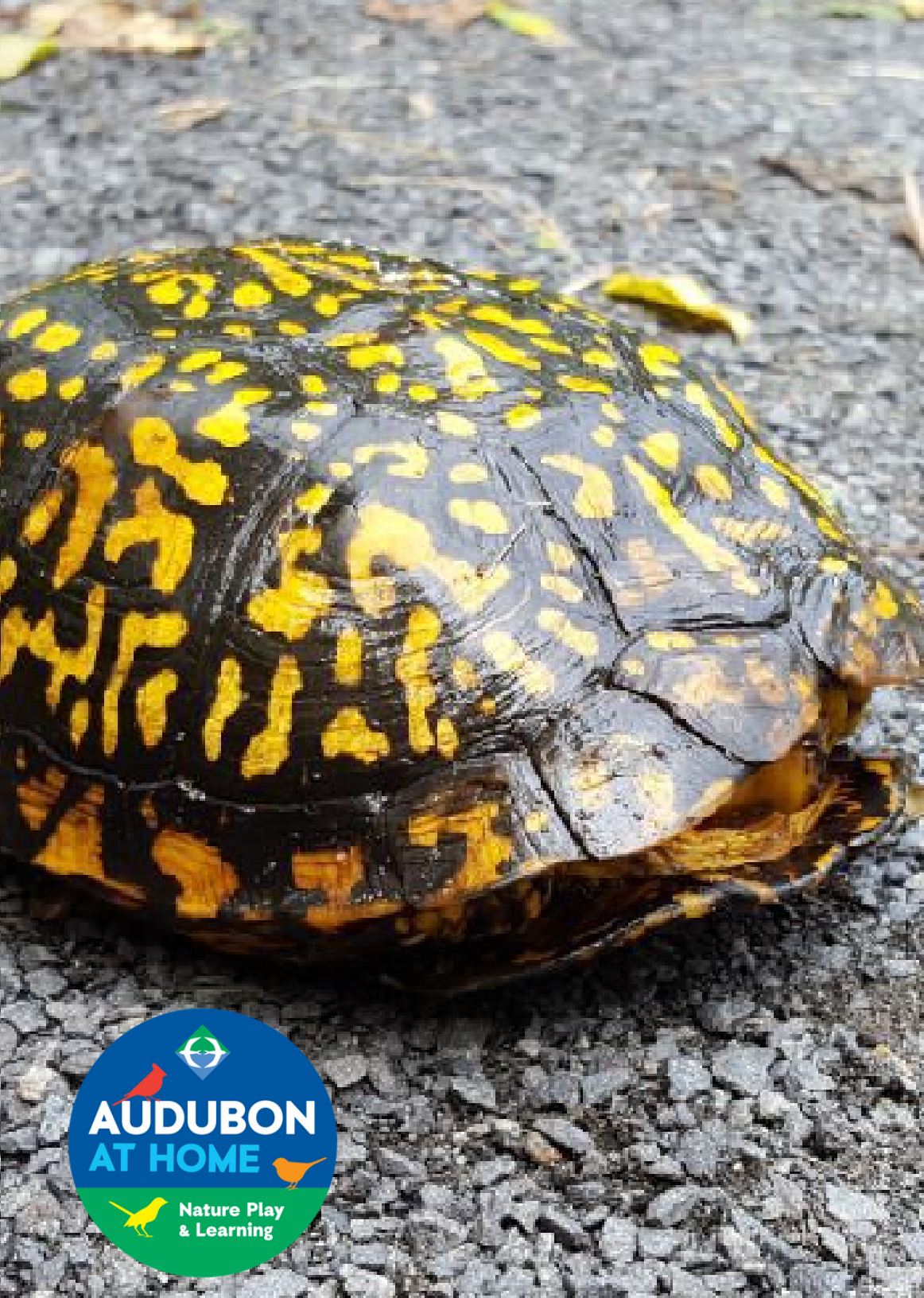
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# HOW TO HELP A TURTLE CROSS THE ROAD

## Safety first!

- Move the turtle only in the direction it was headed.
- Gently pick it up by the sides of its shell and carefully put it down outside of the road area.
- If the turtle is injured, contact Wildlife Rehabilitators of RI: (401) 294-6363

