

Don't let your pets become pests!

Keeping fish is fun, but it's important to make sure living things in your aquarium or pond are kept away from our oceans and waterways. Most fish, snails, and plants you keep are not native to Australia, or to your local area.

Don't
dump
that
fish!



Give unwanted aquarium fish to friends or a petshop. Don't let them go in the wild as they may die from starvation or disease. Fish that survive and breed will compete with local native species for food and space. They may also spread disease and parasites, and damage natural habitats.

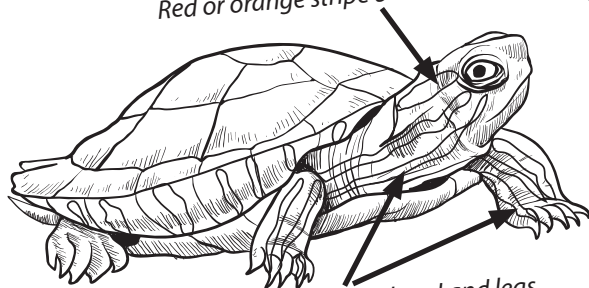
Pest Alert

Red-eared slider turtles are not wanted in NSW waterways as they can spread disease, threaten our native species and damage the environment.

You can help by keeping a lookout for new species in local waterways. Take a photo, record your location and report it online at dpi.nsw.gov.au/biosecurity/sighting or call DPI on 1800 680 244

MOST UNWANTED RED-EARED SLIDER TURTLE

Red or orange stripe behind eye



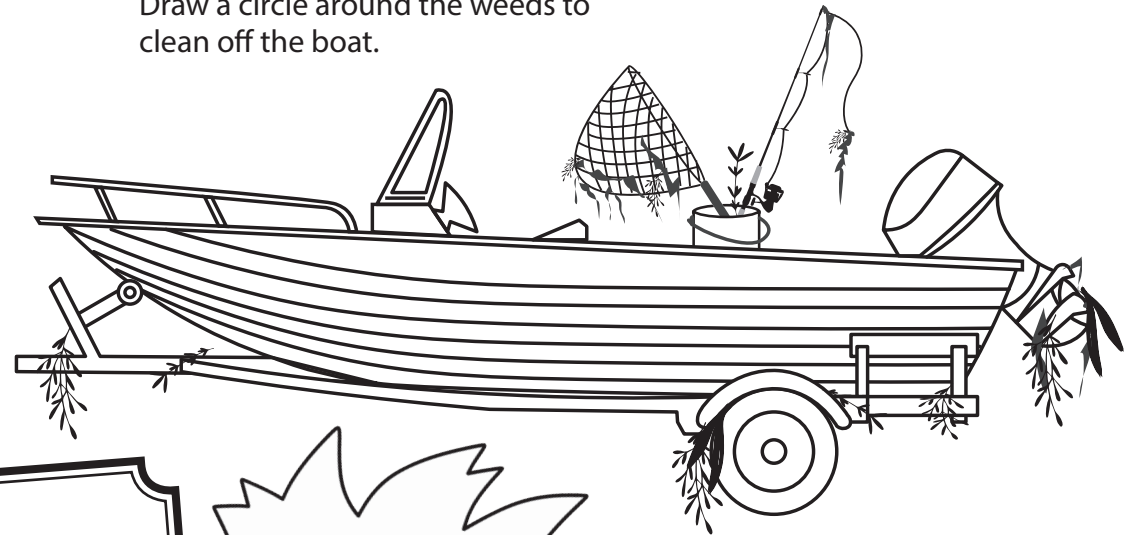
Narrow yellow stripes on head and legs

- One of the world's most invasive species
- Originally from USA and don't belong in Australia
- Retracts its head directly back into the shell, while native turtles fold it sideways into the shell.

Stop the spread!

Help ensure weeds and pests are not transported to different waterways by always cleaning your fishing gear and boat.

Draw a circle around the weeds to clean off the boat.



Protect our environment and don't release your unwanted pets into a creek, river or park pond

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