



# KAREN

**Species:** Loggerhead Sea Turtle (*Caretta caretta*)

**Age:** Sub-adult

**Gender:** Unknown

**Arrival:** July 11, 2011

**Weight on Arrival:** 68.9 lbs / 31.3 kg

**Found:** Jekyll Island, GA

**Rescued by:** GSTC Sea Turtle Patrol

**When found:** Karen was found debilitated, lethargic, covered in barnacles & entangled in fishing line. The edge of Karen's front right flipper was missing, possibly from a healed predator injury.

**Treatment & Current Status:** To remove the barnacles, Karen was placed in a freshwater soak. Bandages are changed for some of Karen's deeper plastron wounds routinely. One wound is packed with silver mesh, while the other two have bone cement. Karen also receives an iron supplement twice a week and is on a daily antibiotic to prevent infection. Karen is responding very well to treatment & eating normally.