



# Gertie

2018

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FIRST NEST

26 May

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## Gertie is a neophyte!

Gertie was a new turtle this season, just reaching maturity. She nested twice on the North Beach! We expect her back in two years.



Each nest on Sandy Point is carefully monitored when it gets close to hatching time. We are there in the early afternoon to monitor any nests that are emerging and to protect the hatchlings as they make their way to the water.

Nina checks on a hatching nest.

## the HISTORY of Gertie

Turtle #35

new to Sandy Point in 2018!

Gertie is the average size for a leatherback from St. Croix. She had an average of 93 eggs in her nests!

Size:  
153.0 cm

2 Nests



Adopted by Sandi Schultz  
Thank you!

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