



RUN FOR LIFE

Photographer: Bruno Wägli

Location: Tortuguero NP, Costa Rica

Subject: Newly hatched turtle on its way to the sea

Equipment used: Nikon Z9 with Nikon Z 400/2.8 TC VR S

Camera Settings: ISO 720, 1/640 sec, f/6.3

Why I love this image: We were at the beach soon after sunrise. There we watched many birds of prey and vultures gathering. Getting closer, we were very fortunate to watch newly hatched green turtles emerging from the sand and creeping as quickly as possible to the sea. Usually, they do so at night. A nest contains around 80 eggs and the procedure of crossing the dangerous beach to the life-saving sea took only a few minutes. As we were present, the birds had to forget about their breakfast and all the turtles reached the sea. Of course, there other predators were waiting for them.

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