

Why I'm here:  
**Debilitated**

Patient : **Fern**  
Species : Green  
Latin Name: *Chelonia mydas*  
Age : Juvenile  
Gender : Unknown  
Weight : 7.26 lbs/ 3.3 kg  
Found : Fernandina Beach, FL  
Arrived : April 14, 2012  
Rescued by : Amelia Island Sea  
Turtle Watch, Inc.



### Exam Findings:

Excess epibiota

Loss of keratin with  
exposed bone on shell

Extremely thin

### Diagnostic Results:

Blood work: Anemia

X-rays: Normal



### TREATMENT FOR: Fern

Cisapride- gut motility stimulation

Metronidazole and Amikacin  
(antibiotics effective against  
anaerobic bacteria)

Iron supplements

Shell cleaning and debridement:  
bone cement with antibiotics  
placed on wounds

PRESCRIBED: DR. NORTON, DVM

### Update:

Fern is currently eating well and  
gaining weight!

Current Weight:

**8.88** LBS

