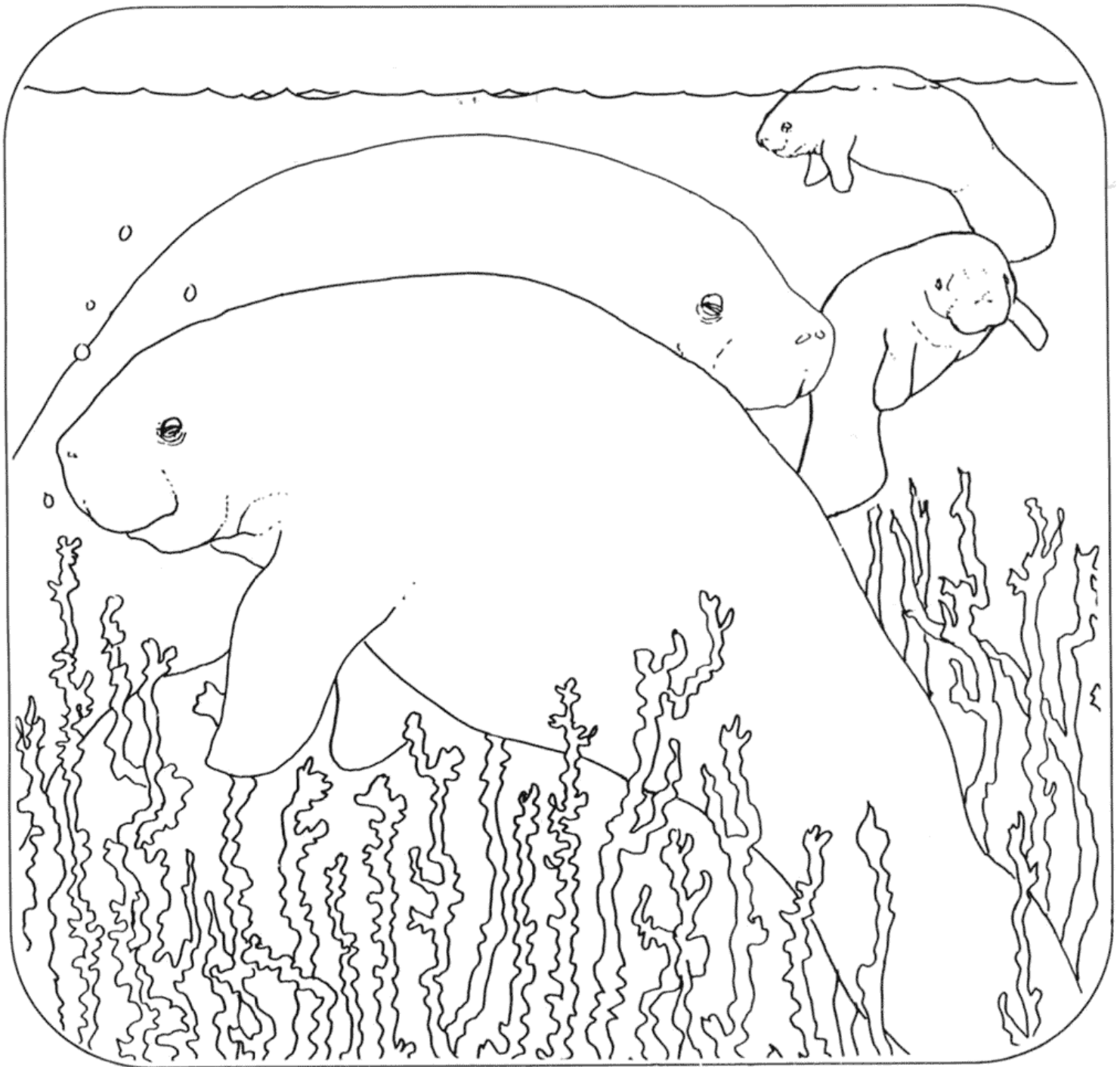


West Indian Manatee



This gentle animal lives in the coastal waters of Georgia, Florida, Texas, and Puerto Rico. It is about 10 feet long and can weigh up to 2,000 pounds — as much as a car! Manatees are **herbivores (meaning they eat only plants)**. After eating they may swim to the bottom of the water and rest. Manatees can hold their breath for up to 12 minutes at a time!

In what states is this species found?

