

# HISTORY TORTOISES

IF THE TORTOISE IS KEPT IN A VIVARIUM INSIDE THE HOUSE  
USE THE HISTORY FORM FOR SNAKES & LIZARDS

## ANIMALS DETAILS

Name.....  
Species.....  
Sex.....  
Where did you get it from.....  
Approximate age.....  
How long have you had it.....  
When & with what was it last wormed.....

## HOUSING

### HOUSE

Describe the housing & run. Include approximate size, construction materials & a diagram if applicable. (If there is more than one accommodation type provided, fill in a separate form for each)

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During inclement weather is the tortoise shut in its house or does it still have access to the outside.....  
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**LIGHTING**

Is there any U.V provision (State type used & how frequently it is changed).....  
How high above 'tortoise level' is it placed.....  
Is there a spot/basking light (State type & wattage).....  
How long are the lights on for each day.....

**HEATING**

What type of heater is used.....  
Does it have a guard around it.....  
Is it connected to a thermostat.....  
What is the background temperature: Day..... Night.....  
What is the temperature variation between the hot & cold sections .....  
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What is the temperature under the spot/basking light.....  
What type of thermometer is used.....

**DÉCOR**

What substrate is used .....  
How frequently is it cleaned out.....  
What cleaning solution is used.....  
Describe the hide box/s.....  
If there a special area for egg laying describe it .....  
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**SOCIAL GROUPING**

What other individuals of the same/different species share the accommodation. (State how many of each & what sex) .....  
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Describe how they interact with each other .....  
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**FEEDING**

List ALL types of food items given including quantity and frequency OR fill in a diet sheet.....

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State approximately how much is given on a daily basis.....

What supplements are given & how often .....

**HIBERNATION**

If you provide a gradual cooling down prior to hibernation please describe the process.....

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For how long is food with-held prior to entering hibernation .....

Do you worm the tortoise prior to hibernation.....

How do you ensure adequate bodyweight prior to hibernation.....

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Describe the hibernation accommodation & siting in detail .....

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How often do you check the tortoise during hibernation .....

At the end of hibernation do you wake the tortoise yourself or allow it to wake up on its own.....

If it wakes up by itself how do you know when it has done so .....

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Please describe what you do immediately the tortoise has woken up and for the following few days .....

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**ANY OTHER COMMENTS**

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