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Freilandüberwinterung der Gewöhnlichen Moschusschildkröte (*Sternotherus odoratus*)

Outdoor overwintering of the common musk turtle (*Sternotherus odoratus*)

Abstract

2 common musk turtles hibernated unscheduled in my outdoor enclosure in West-Germany, North-Rhine-Westphalia. For subsequent winters, I decided to let the turtles hibernate in the same place, but under my control. In this article, I give advice on how to prepare the enclosure, to check and control the animals, and what to do if the winter is too warm for continuous hibernation.

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