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# **Die schildkrötengerechte Teichschale**

## ***Constructing a turtle pond***

### **Abstract**

The use of ponds manufactured from fibreglass for the outdoor maintenance of freshwater turtles is described. These ponds are easy to handle but their steep banks and smooth surface is usually inadequate for turtles because they will be unable to climb safely out of the water. Therefore, a detailed description how to blanket the inner side of the pond with a layer of coconut fibres is provided. This helps to overcome these problems, allowing the turtles to climb out of the water easily, and to rest and bask on land.

### **Key words**

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