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Erste Erfahrungen bei der Haltung von Florida-Langhals-Schmuckschildkröten, *Deirochelys reticularia chrysea* SCHWARZ, 1956

First experiences in raising and maintaining the Florida chicken turtle, Deirochelys reticulata chrysea, SCHWARZ, 1956

Abstract

In Europe, chicken turtles are rarely found in private collections, unlike the situation for several other North American freshwater turtles. After a short introduction to the 3 subspecies that comprise the genus *Deirochelys* and their characteristic markings and patterns on the soft skin, the raising of young *Deirochelys r. chrysea* in captivity is described, with special emphasis on feeding and preference for hunting live fishes in this turtle.

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