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Strukturierung von Freilandgehegen mit Kalksteinen für europäische Landschildkröten

Structuring an outdoor enclosure for Mediterranean tortoises by using limestone

Abstract

Keeping European tortoises in Germany means to provide a maximum of warmth in their environment. For that reason, I rebuilt their outdoor enclosure and incorporated limestone to build paths and grass free areas. The stones store the heat of the sun and reduce the growth of grass. Furthermore they are useful for drainage and the enclosure dries quite quickly after a rain. This combination provides more natural and warm enclosure for the tortoises.

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