

Keep Aquatic Turtles the Way the Professionals Do!

Congratulations on your purchase of **Zoo Med's NEW Turtletub® Aquatic Turtle Habitat.** The following information will instruct you on the proper set-up and use of your Turtletub®. Please feel free to phone or email us at the information below should you have any questions.

INSTRUCTIONS

Placement

- Place your Turtletub® in an area OUT of DIRECT SUNLIGHT.
- If you have children under 6 years of age we highly recommend you place the Turtletub® on a table or aquarium stand (Rated for 200 pounds) to prevent a child from accidentally falling into the Turtletub®.
- Make sure your other pets, such as dogs, cats, birds, ferrets, rats, etc. **DO NOT** have access to your **Turtletub**®.

Water/Filtration

- Fill the larger side of the **Turtletub®** with water up to 1-2" below the top of the ramp (see front photo).
- Add Zoo Med's Reptisafe® to remove chlorine, chloramines and/or ammonia from your tap water (water side holds approximately 13 gallons).
- We recommend using a good filter such as **Zoo Med's Turtleclean 511** in addition to doing a 30-40% water change once per week (very important).

Land Side

- Zoo Med recommends mixing 50% Eco Earth (loose fill) with 50% Forest Floor Bedding for the land side of your **Turtletub®**. You will need an 8 quart bag of each to fill the land side up to the top.
- Decorate your land side of the tub with Natural Cork Bark, Zoo Med's wooden "hiding places" or Mopani Wood plus live or plastic plants.

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- All aquatic turtles need special UVB lighting in order to process calcium from their diet resulting in normal shell growth. Without UVB lighting your pet turtles will develop "soft-shell" and a host of other health problems cutting their lifespan to maybe 1 year! (In the wild most aquatic turtles live 10-15 years or more!)
- For Proper UVB lighting we recommend using Zoo Med's **PowerSun® UV** Heat Lamp on your turtles. Make sure you use the **PowerSun® UV** with Zoo Med's **Reptile Lamp Stand. DO NOT** clamp a clamp lamp fixture to the Turtletub®.

Turtles

• Zoo Med's **Turtletub**® is designed for a maximum of: Six Hatchling Turtles or

Four 4" (10 cm) Turtles or Three 6" (15 cm) Turtles or

Two 7" (17 cm) Turtles

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Diet

- Feed hatchling turtles daily no more then they can eat in 5-10 minutes. Feed Sub-Adult turtles every other day according to manufactures instructions on the food bottle.
- Vary your turtles diet. Zoo Med recommends using our Natural Aquatic Turtle Foods as the primary diet for your turtles and supplementing with Zoo Med's Turtle Treats, Jumbo Red Shrimp, Can O' Shrimp and/or Can O' Worms as a high protein treat.

NOTE: Sub-Adult to adult red-eared sliders, cooters and painted turtles like vegetable matter in their diet like lettuce (no Iceberg) or aquatic plants. Map turtles need snails in their diet (use Zoo Med's Can O' Snails).



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