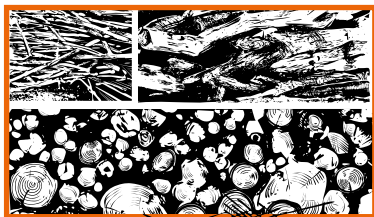


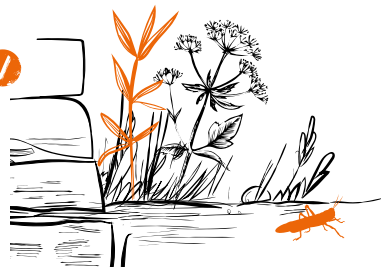
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Habitats for reptiles

What can you do for reptiles at home?



Create woodpiles in sunny, undisturbed and wind-protected places by using branches, rootstocks and trunks of different thicknesses.



Plant species-rich margins and near-natural plantings with sufficient open soil areas as a food source for reptiles. Wall lizards feed on insects, smooth snakes also on small mammals.


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Build a cairn of stones of different sizes, mixed with sand, gravel and loose soil. The cairn should be build 50 cm into the ground and reach a height of 100-150 cm. Set in a sunny and undisturbed location, the cairn should be kept free of vegetation. Adding pieces of wood, branches or rootstocks increases the structural diversity and creates sites with varying degrees of warmth.



Build dry walls and herb spirals of natural stones in sunny places. The thickness of the walls and the connection to the ground is important so that the reptiles can hibernate in the construction.



Avoid fertilisation and the use of pesticides!