



# Learn about Reptiles!

Reptiles, including snakes, lizards, crocodiles, alligators, turtles, and tortoises are found all over the world, on every continent except Antarctica.

## Cold Blooded Creatures

Reptiles are all ectothermic, they do not make their own body heat. Their body temperature depends on their environment, so to warm up they often have to bask in the sun.



The Little Rock Zoo supports the Orienne Society, which helps to protect endangered reptiles here in the United States and around the world!

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

Orienne Society and Reptile Conservation

<https://www.oriennesociety.org/how-we-work/>  
<https://wildlifesos.org/our-work/reptiles-others/>  
<https://amphibianandreptileconservancy.org/what-we-do/>

National Geographic:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/media/photo-ark-texas-indigo-snake/>  
<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/media/wbt-gator-wild/>  
<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/media/lonesome-george-wbt/>

Other:

San Diego Zoo: <https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/turtle-and-tortoise>  
<https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/lizard>  
<https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/snake>  
<https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/crocodilian>

# Build a Reptile!

Reptiles are found all over the world, they come in many sizes, shapes, colors, and patterns. Some reptiles, like turtles and tortoises have hard shells for protection, some reptiles use camouflage to hide from predators or even hide so they can ambush their prey. Many reptiles are carnivores, but some are herbivores or omnivores too.

Choose a head, body, and tail and design your own reptiles! Decide what colors and pattern your reptile has, then give your new species a name. Finally, decide what kind of habitat it lives in and what it eats.

