

Studbook breeding programme

GEOCLEMYS HAMILTONI

HAMILTON'S TERRAPIN
BLACK POND TURTLE
STRAHLEN – DREIKIELSCHILDKRÖTE
GÉOCLEMYDE D' HAMILTON
GÁLAPAGO RAYADO
DRIEKIELSTRAALSCHILDPAD



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INTRODUCTION

The *G. hamiltoni* is still on the CITES Appendix I. The situation in the natural habitat of this turtle is not changed, it's still critical. The increased big floods of the riverbanks especially in Bangladesh are still disastrous for the nests. Also the Tsunami was a destroying moment. The supply on the Chinese foods markets was in 2006 very small. The bad situation in the habitats of the *G. hamiltoni* seems to continue. It's not to predict what the consequences of the global warming will be in the habitats in the future. Too much rain will destroy the nests on the riverbanks.

In 2006 the studbook *Geoclemys hamiltoni* was rejoiced with hatchlings of one of the "Hong Kong" couple, who stays in Blijdorp Zoo, Rotterdam NL. That's a great development in this studbook.



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Also in 2006 there still is a great F2-generation in a relative large number in Germany, Austria, Czech and Switzerland. This F2-generation is not registered in this studbook.

STUDBOOK POPULATION.

In the Studbook *Geoclemys hamiltoni* are 255 animals registered in 2006.

Registered turtles:

4.4 adult wild genetic independent turtles. One of the females has a medical problem and can not breed.



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From this total studbook number of 255 turtles are:

8 adults alive: 4 females and 4 males, 1 female has a medical problem and can't breed, 1 male dead

255 hatchlings registered , 12 dead.

This hatchlings were born in:

1993	6
1994	23
1995	40
1996	22
1997	30
1998	31
1999	21
2000	16
2001	–
2002	–
2003	20
2004	10
2005	–
2006	36

From the 36 hatchlings in 2006 there are 20 new hatchlings from the primeval breeding couple nr. AB and 16 hatchlings from the “Hong Kong” couple nr. CD. Because of the very many hatchlings and the impossibility to keep those animals all in The Netherlands, most hatchlings has been transported in the past 15 years to other European countries and go out of sight at a certain moment , so the sex of all these animals isn't always clear.

LOCATIONS.

At December 31, 2006 there are topical 27 locations:

Netherlands	- 15
United Kingdom	- 1
Italy	- 3
Sweden	- 1
Spain	- 1
Germany	- 6

Among these locations are 4 zoos: 2 in Netherlands, 1 in Sweden and 1 in Germany. In Spain is 1 private breeding and study centre.

IMPORTS.

In 2006 there has been no import from the wild in Europe.



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DEATHS.

1 death of a hatchling is registered in 2006.

REQUEST.

The studbook keepers are still looking for new bloodlines in the EU-countries. Therefore the keepers of one or more *G. hamiltonii*, who do not participate until this moment in this studbook, are gladly invited to contact the studbook keepers.

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