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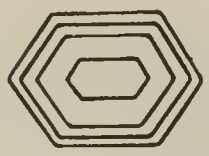

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INTRODUCTION

Additional references have come to my attention since circulation of the "Bibliography of the North American land tortoises (genus Gopherus)" in 1975 (U. S. Dep. Int., Spec. Sci. Rep. - Wildl. No. 190, 60 pp.). The following sources have been searched for references on tortoises of the genus Gopherus: Biological Abstracts, through Vol. 62 (1976)*
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This supplement includes papers containing information on behavior and ecology of North American tortoises; as in the Bibliography of 1975, no thorough effort has been made to include papers dealing strictly with morphology, taxonomy, fossil forms, or distribution. Each numbered item in the bibliography has been read and its contents indexed by subject. The references cited in each article have also been searched (four exceptions noted on page 9) and included when appropriate. A copy of each numbered item listed is on file in the Library of Archbold Biological Station, Lake Placid, Florida.

A subject index to the contents of numbered items in the bibliography is provided on pages 9–18. Relevant page numbers are given in parentheses following reference numbers. Reference numbers 500 and below in the index designate items in the Bibliography of 1975. The index section formerly called "Thermoregulation" has been split into several categories; relevant references, including all of those from that section in the earlier work, are included under appropriate headings in the new section.

It is hoped that this supplement will serve as a useful addendum to the Bibliography of 1975.

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