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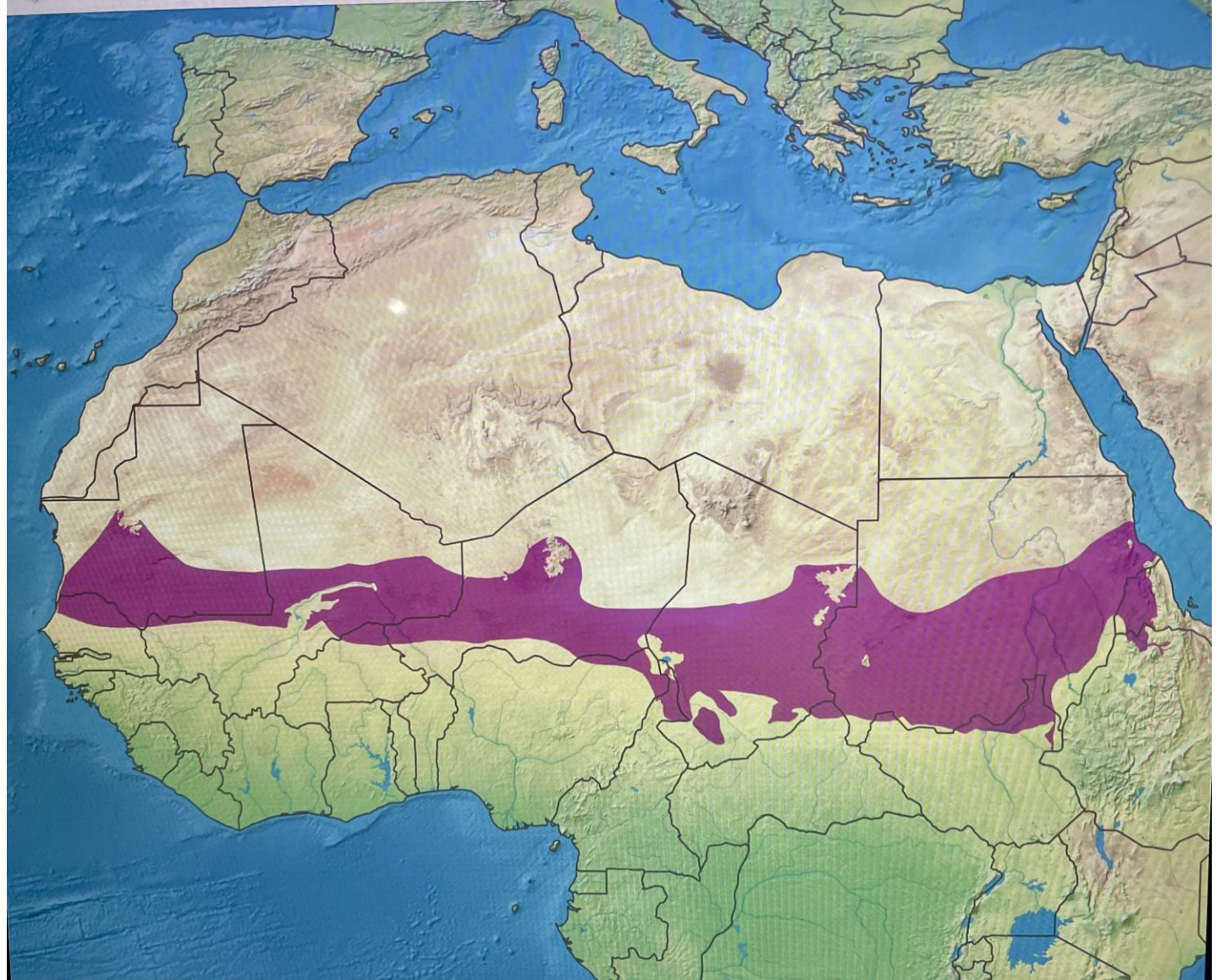
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- The Sahel region, or Sahelian acacia savanna, is a biogeographical region in Africa. Located in a 500 Km band at between 12-16 degrees North latitude. It is the transition zone between the more humid Sudan savanna, to its south and the drier Sahara to the north.
- The term "Sahel" is borrowed from the Arabic name for the region, الساحل al-sāḥil. Sāḥil literally means "coast, shore", which has been explained as a figurative reference to the southern edge of the vast Sahara.



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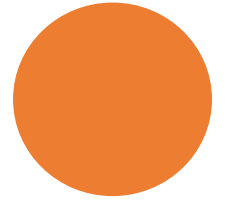


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- Territorial burrows are inhabited for much of the year.
- Offering respite and security from intense heat, which is a frequent feature of this transitional landscape, habitat.





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- Mike Linley, Wildlife Film maker. Filming for Anglia television in 1989.
- Imported five adult specimens from Mauritania, which had been destined to be part of a Tuareg wedding feast.
- Often at the time, taken from natural habitat and traded as food, by desert tribes.



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- Heated indoor enclosures in UK are a must.
- These can be large heated sheds, providing insulated secure enclosures, with suitable overhead heat source and environmental lighting





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- In captivity, the adult Sulcata tortoise, can challenge most types of husbandry:
- At nearly 50Kg their temperament and tenacity means respect is demanded at all times?



La tortue qui pleure The crying tortoise

Geochelone sulcata (Miller, 1779)

Bernard Devaux



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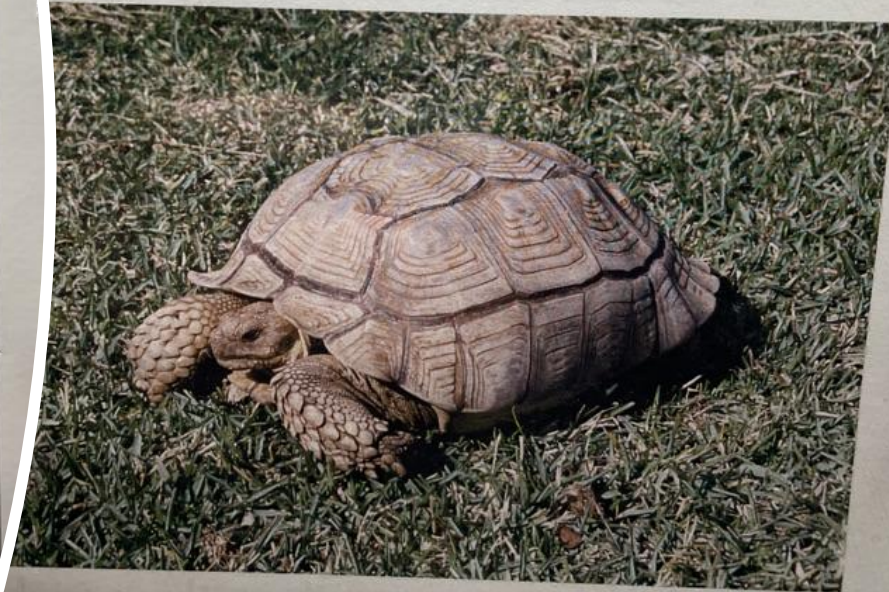


THE GREAT AFRICAN SPUR-THIGHED

or

SULCATA TORTOISE

Geochelone sulcata



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