

JACK



WHAT AM I?

Hermann's Tortoise

WHERE WOULD YOU FIND ME LIVING IN THE WILD?

This species occurs naturally in Mediterranean Europe such as Greece, Bulgaria, Spain, France, former Yugoslavia and Italy. This is where it is nice and warm and have habitats called scrublands so they can naturally dig

HOW DO YOU LOOK AFTER ME AS A PET?

I live in a big open tank which has a special heat lamp at one end this keeps me nice and warm through the day and a UV light which gives me all the goodness like the sun would to keep me strong and healthy. I have soil and sand so I can dig just like I would do in the wild and things to climb on and hide under

WHAT DO I LIKE TO EAT?

I just love food! I eat a very healthy diet of dark green vegetables, including spring greens and kale, my favourite things to eat is cucumber and I also like a cherry tomato for when I have been a good boy. When I'm in the garden I eat all the dandelions!

WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE?

Some people get me confused with a turtle but I don't have flipper like feet I have claws so I can dig in soil. I have a light and dark brown round shell if I put my head, arms and legs in I look like a rock. I've got a little beak for my mouth so I can chop and eat all my food up

WHY DO WE LOVE JACK?

Jack is a very cheeky tortoise, he always wants to be looking around and is very inquisitive, he taps his head and shell on his tank when he wants to come for a walk around the house. He loves to be fed a cucumber

MY STORY

My name is Jack and I am a tortoise that lives with Michala at Lion Learners in Barnsley. I came to live with her when I was 10 years old so I was fully grown. I like to have my shell touched and my arms and legs but if you try to touch my head I just pop in back into my shell. Michala says I am very well trained as when my lights go off at night I go straight to my bed and go into my shell and go to sleep until my lights come back on in the morning.