



Max in the Herp Lab

BY MAX MCADOO

Hi! My name is Max, and I work in the Herpetology Lab, also known as the “Herp Lab”. It is my job to carry out certain duties so that the reptiles are taken care of.



In the lab, I take care of two different kinds of reptiles. One of those kinds of reptiles are bearded dragons. The beardies I take care of are named Alexander and Madeline.



The other type of reptiles I take care of are frilled dragons. I take care of two couples of frilled dragons that are paired together. Their names are Reptar, Lola, Villain, and Penelope.



The last guy I take care of is a relatively new friend of the Herp Lab. He is a frilled dragon named Spyro.



Every reptile I take care of lives in their own enclosure that they either share with a mate or inhabit alone.



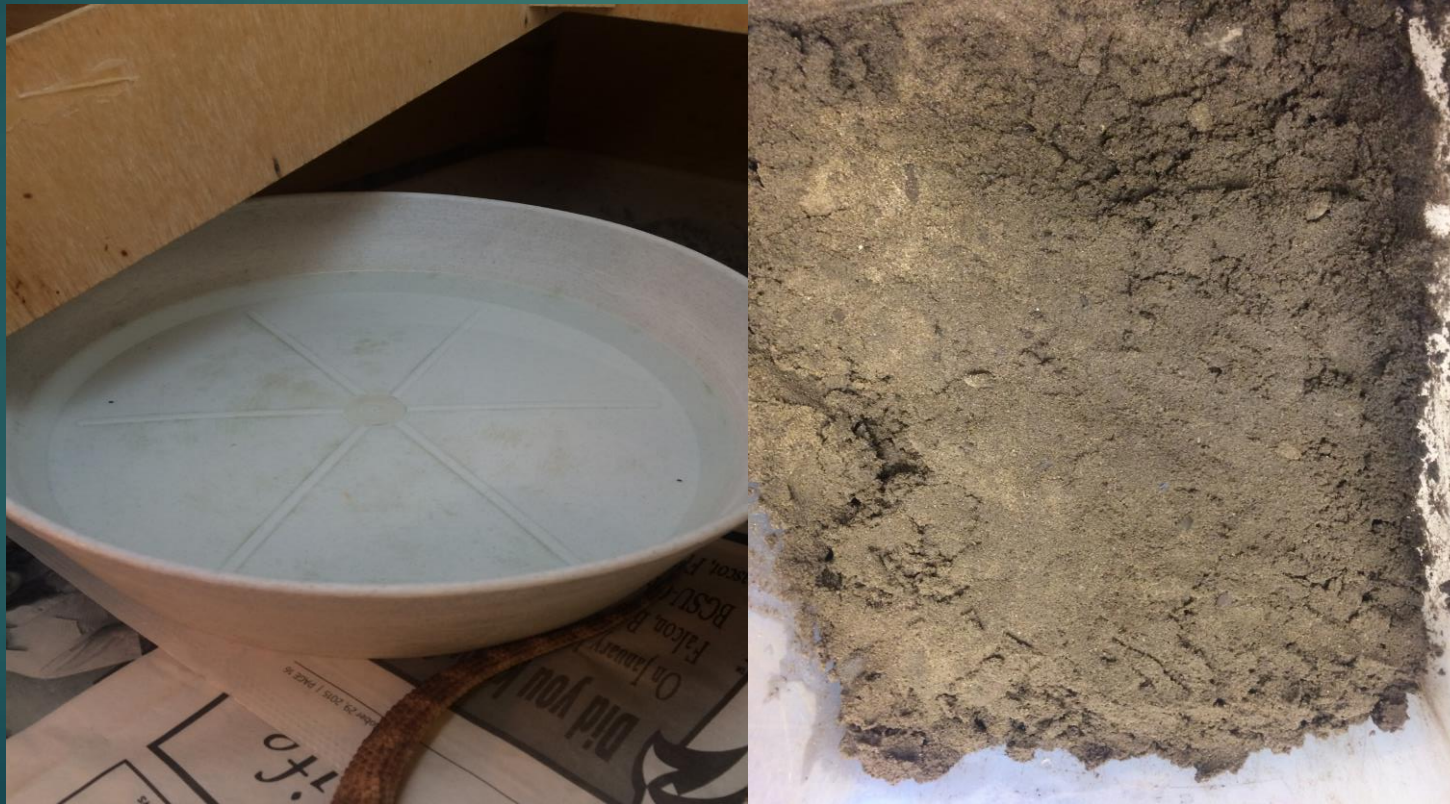
My most important job in the Herp Lab is to feed all of my reptiles. All of my reptiles get fed either super worms or crickets. But most importantly, they have to eat their vegetables just like you and me!



Before my lizards get fed, their food gets sprinkled with calcium powder. It helps them grow, and it tastes good too!



Of course, reptiles don't just need food. They need water too. I make sure that my lizards always have clean water to drink or swim in. I also use water to keep my reptiles' sand pits wet so the reptiles can lay eggs when the time comes.



Reptiles are cold blooded animals which means they need their temperature regulated by heat lamps and by being sprayed with water. Sometimes they make a mess, so I have to give them clean newspaper.



This is just an average day for me in the Herpetology Lab. It's a lot of work, but it's also a lot of fun!



