

Classifieds & Legals

CARD OF THANKS
At this time of inflation it fills me with warmth and comfort to know all things don't come with a price on them. For some things are more precious than gold. With my recent stays in the hospital and my recovery at home, my heart has been filled each day by visits, phone calls, prayers, cards, flowers and food from relatives and friends. Nor will I ever forget the constant and unselfish care of Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Nash, Dr. Eadie and nurses of the 2nd and 3rd floor. To each of you may I say a very hearty thank you and God bless you.
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Hermit Crabs Are Plucked From Shore

By BARBARA S. MOFFET
National Geographic News Service

WASHINGTON — Move over, pet rocks. Hermit crabs are here.

Terrestrial hermit crabs are the latest in sedate pets, store owners say. Found in South and Central America and the Florida Keys, they have become big sellers at pet shops and even department stores in the United States. Most of the crabs end up in terrariums.

As one sales pitch goes: "Hermit crabs are clean, hardy, eat little, and won't reproduce in captivity. They are active, whimsical, and have a cute little walk."

"I think they're kind of cute, but some varieties are uglier than sin," said Pete Lieber of the Great American Crab Company, which sells 25,000 hermit crabs a week in the United States and Canada.

Leashes and Exercise Kits

Sales of hermit crabs have climbed in the last year; one company that began selling them eight months ago now imports 1.2 million a month. Proud owners also supply their pets with crab chow, crab leashes, and, for the active crab, exercise kits.

The hermit crab craze has some environmentalists and biologists worried, reports the National Geographic Society. Land hermit crab populations appear to be declining, especially in the Florida Keys.

"Nobody really knows how many hermit crabs there are, but if you're importing 1.2 million a month, you're going to make a dent in the population," said a biologist at Florida International University in Miami.

Scientists, environmentalists, industry executives, and government officials recently got together at a symposium in Florida entitled: "Hermit Crabs as Pets: To Be Or Not To Be." Most participants agreed that more must be learned about the land hermit crab and its numbers before the pet industry can be regulated.

But not everyone believes the hermit crab business needs regulating. "We get a nice harmless business going here and they want to go and spoil it," moaned an executive of the largest hermit crab importer.

Handle With Care
Like other crabs and shrimp, hermit crabs have five pairs of legs. The first two legs have pincers, which are used for eating and as weapons. Promoters say that if the pets are handled gently, their pincers pose little hazard for people.

"I've handled tens of thousands of them and I've only been pinched twice," Lieber of the crab company said.

For a hermit crab, home is where the fit is. Possessing no shell of their own, they spend a good part of their lives "house hunting," trying out shells that have been cast aside by mollusks, usually snails.

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