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(Bernd Heinrich *The Quarterly Review of Biology* 2015-06-01)

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"This definitive and scholarly treatment of Mexican turtle biology sets the new standard for books on regional and national turtle faunas."--Joseph C. Mitchell, co-editor of *Urban Herpetology*

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