



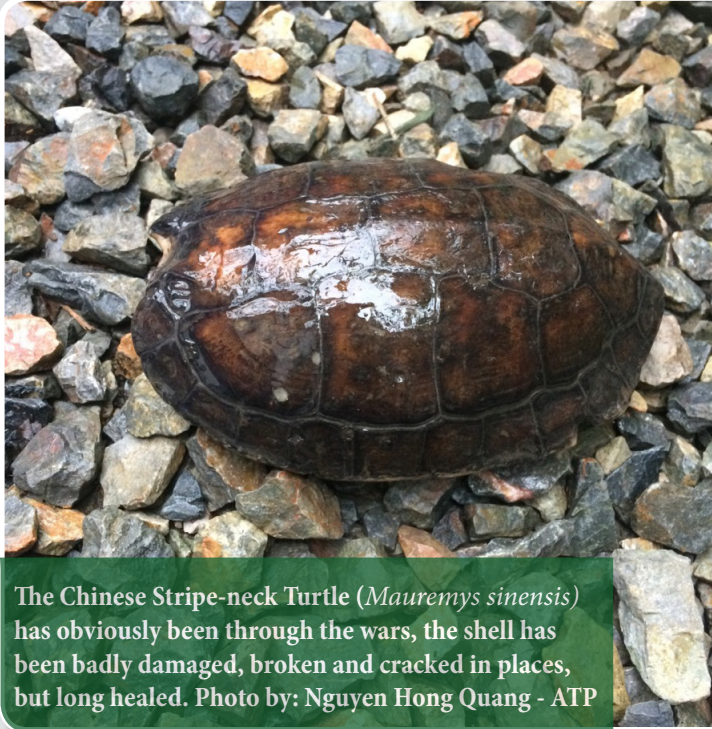
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The Chinese Stripe-neck Turtle (*Mauremys sinensis*) has obviously been through the wars, the shell has been badly damaged, broken and cracked in places, but long healed. Photo by: Nguyen Hong Quang - ATP



A Chinese Stripe-neck Turtle to join the breeding group at Cuc Phuong National Parks Turtle Conservation Centre

On the 21st of October 2016, a man named Minh contacted the Asian Turtle Program (ATP) in Hanoi to find a solution for an unexpected guest. Minh had been walking home in the busy Dinh Cong ward, Hoang Mai district, Hanoi, Vietnam. Not the place you would usually expect to find much wildlife, when he found a Chinese Stripe-neck Turtle (*Mauremys sinensis*). Listed as Endangered on IUCN Red List 2016. On the 22nd of October 2016 the turtle was brought to the ATP Hanoi office. The animal has obviously been through the wars, the shell has been badly damaged, broken and cracked in places, but long healed. Weighing 1.05 kg and 177.3 cm in length it seems most likely that the turtle has escaped from somewhere nearby.

The turtle will soon be taken to the Turtle Conservation Centre (TCC) in Cuc Phuong National Park where it will join a breeding group.

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