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A large Big-headed Turtle (*Platysternon megacephalum*), confiscated from illegal wildlife trade, is currently taken care of at Turtle Conservation Centre - Cuc Phuong National Park. Photo by: Ben Tapley

## A time lapse video of construction of waterfall enclosures for the Big-headed Turtle in Vietnam

In Cuc Phuong National Park in northern Vietnam we have been working to build some outdoor waterfall enclosures for the endangered Big-headed Turtle (*Platysternon megacephalum*). The species needs cool, flowing, fresh water to survive, but being highly aggressive they cannot be kept in groups. With almost 200 of the species rescued from the wildlife trade since 2015, many with serious injuries, the centre has been able to recover about 75% of these animals. Now we hope to keep a small group at the centre for research and breeding and in spring of 2017 we want to release most of these animals back to the wild. Here you can see the video from the Turtle Conservation Centre which is supported by the Asian Turtle Program where all staff are working together as part of a training exercise to build the first sample outdoor waterfall. We hope the turtles will be happy in their new housing and we hope you enjoy the video.

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We would like to thank all our supporters who make our work possible and the authorities in Vietnam who are rescuing these animals.



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