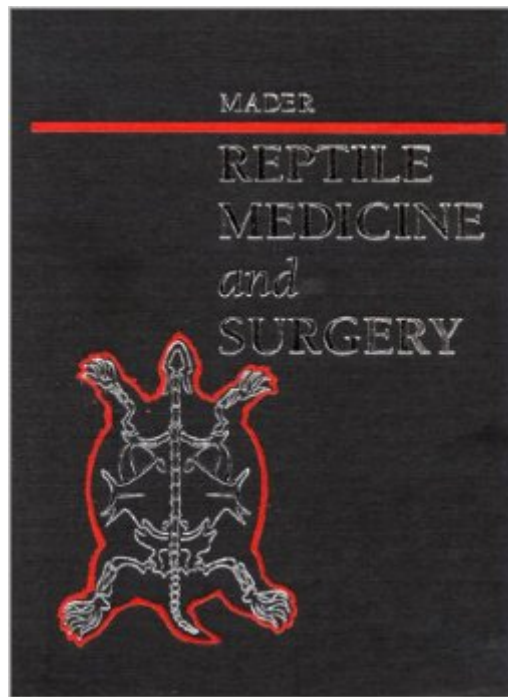


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## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

This is in my opinion the best reference available on the topic of reptile medicine and surgery. It is well organized, up-to-date and well written. Dr. Mader along with his contributors are all very well respected in this field and provide the most current knowledge on the subject. This text is a must for anyone who sees these animals in their practice or for someone wanting to add these species to their practice.

If you had to own ONE book as a reference in reptile medicine and surgery, this is the book to own. Compared to Frye's books, this book is extremely concise and to the point. Unlike Frye's book the pictures are black and white, and some of the anatomy diagrams are quite simplistic, but they illustrate all the things that need to be illustrated. The book is extremely well organized and the index lets you find things quite readily. This book provides all the basic information that any general

veterinarian would need to see reptiles in practice. The book is not entirely comprehensive, but it is a great general source upon which to build, and the exotic animal specialist will need other sources to be current. The reptile formulary is concise and to the point, but not exhaustive and the reader should consult other supplemental sources for drug dosages. In the back, there is a chapter on Amphibian medicine by Dr. Kevin Wright. Although brief, it is well written and, since Dr. Wright took about 10 years (maybe longer?) to write his own book, an excellent reference on the subject. I recommend this book to everybody. Dr. Mader has followed on Dr. Frye's famous shoes quite nicely by making a general reference that is available to and easy to use by everybody. As of today, in December 2001, the fact that Dr. Mader's book may be lacking in some areas is a tribute to itself, for it is responsible for launching a rapid growth in reptile medical techniques and clinical knowledge since it became available.

As an advanced herp keeper, I held off on getting this book for a while, intimidated by the price tag. Since taking the plunge, I regret only the money I spent on other books before getting this one. Not that there isn't good information available elsewhere, but Mader's book is the standard to which it's all compared. Once you've gotten past *Iguanas for Dummies* (or other appropriate species-specific husbandry information), this is the book that will take you to the next level.

This is an excellent book. It is advanced in reading but when can you get too much info on reptiles? I have read this large book cover to cover. I find that when you go to your reptile vet it is very useful. When your vet gives your reptile medicine you can read up on everything on the drug, treatment, etc. This is where you become your own source of information. It gives you the ability to ask important medical questions. I'm in Canada and you have to be careful on those who claim to treat reptiles. This gives you the ability to have some good questions for your vet. I love having this book it is a great tool for a vet as well. Let's say your vet is away and you find someone that can treat them, this is a great book to bring along as it is written for quick reference for vets. The vet will be able to consult excellent information to make sure that they are able to make the right choice. I could never live without my Mader book!!!

Without a doubt, of all the herpetological veterinary resources, this is the best one available. Dr. Mader, having corrected many of the errors found in the Frye text, has created an easily read, easily understood reference and/or training book that should be on the shelves of any exotic animal veterinarian or student. Mader's only shortcoming is in the shortage of photographs (the ones he

provides are clear and easily understood) in cases where text may be very complex, and the, at times, over-brevity of descriptions of treatment.

Mader, the man whose name is synonymous with reptile medicine, has taken reptile medical texts to a new level. This book is logically laid out so information may be quickly and easily extracted. This book is far superior to Fry's texts in layout, content, and price. Reptile Medicine and Surgery is a must have for any veterinarian who treats reptiles or serious reptile keeper.

I won't recapitulate what you find in the description. Simply put, as a herpetologist who works with, and rescues, crocodilians, venomous snakes, wide varieties of turtles, lizards and snakes I can't do without this book. Actually I have two copies, one is downstairs with the animals where it has been dropped into turtle tanks and has some very interesting stains on it and the other is in my library. My point is that this book is too useful not to have on hand.

This is the BEST reptile book I ever had the pleasure of owning! Brilliant pictures, easy to read text and very complete tables! If you are a veterinary surgeon starting your experience on reptiles don't think twice... It was my case and I just loved it... this one lays next to Guilherme Couto Small Animal Medicine and Theresa Fossum on my top 3 Veterinary Surgeons Bibles!

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