

# Mexico seizes food made from threatened iguana

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Spiny-tailed iguana for sale at a market on March 14, 2013

Authorities in central Mexico have seized 32 liters (8.5 gallons) of food made with Mexican spiny-tailed iguanas, a protected and threatened species in the country, officials said Tuesday.

The environmental protection prosecutor's office said the containers of the iguana dish were seized from a restaurant in the village of Tehuixtla, Morelos state, following an anonymous complaint.

The seizure aims to "discourage a common practice" of eating threatened animals in the southern state of Guerrero and Morelos, the office said in a statement.

The statement did not say if the [restaurant](#)'s owner faced any charges.

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