BBC LEARNING ENGLISH Story of the Week 每周一报 Snakes in a cafe 蛇咖啡馆

文字稿

A relaxing place for a coffee... Or is it?

This cafe, which has just opened in Tokyo, is not for the faint-hearted.

Here you sip your drink in the company of 35 snakes.

None of them are venomous, meaning customers can get up close and personal with the reptiles.

The cafe's owner says he's interested in **conservation**, and hopes customers will realise the animals are worth saving, even though they often have a bad **reputation**.

词汇

not for the faint-hearted	需要有胆量才行
venomous	有毒的
get up close and personal	零距离接触
conservation	自然保护
reputation	名誉,名声

中文文字稿

看上去这是个休闲放松喝杯咖啡的地方...真是如此吗?

这家咖啡店刚刚在东京开业,不过顾客需要有胆量才行。

因为这里有三十五条蟒蛇陪伴你慢慢品尝咖啡。

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这家咖啡店的主人说他对动物保护很有兴趣并希望顾客能够意识到,尽管蟒蛇名声不好,但仍然是值得 受保护的。

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练习

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