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IGUANAS

Smooth Helmeted Iguana

Corytophanes cristatus

Corytophanes cristatus is a long-legged, tree-dwelling lizard from the rainforests of Central and South America, with a tall, helmet-like crest on the back of the head and a serrated crest along the back. It sits motionless for hours, waiting for large insects, shifts between grey, olive-brown and reddish-brown, and is very shy. It needs a tall, humid enclosure, UVB, live food and calm.

Familia: Corytophanidae Nombre anterior: *Agama cristata*

DATOS CLAVE

EL ANIMAL

Tamaño adulto	**25-35 cm** longitud total con la cola
Esperanza de vida	**5-8 años**
Activo	**De día**
Modo de vida	**Arborícola**
Hábitat	**Selva tropical**
Dificultad	**Avanzado**

CUIDADOS

Terrario mín.	**60 × 45 × 90 cm** L × An × Al para 1 adulto
Temperatura, día	**27-30 °C**
Punto caliente	**32-35 °C**
Temperatura, noche	**21-24 °C**
Humedad	**60-80 %**
Agua	**Bebedero**
UVB	**Imprescindible** Zona Ferguson 1
Alimentación	**Insectos y lombrices/caracoles**
Se mantiene	**En solitario**

CRÍA

Reproducción	**Ovípara**
Tamaño de la puesta	**4-11 huevos**
Incubación	**60-90 días** a 26-28 °C

PROTECCIÓN Y TRÁMITES

CITES	**No incluida**
Anexo de la UE	**No incluida**
UICN	**Preocupación menor (LC)**

Cuidados de un vistazo

EL TERRARIO	A single adult needs a tall enclosure of at least 60 × 45 × 90 cm (length × width × height). Larger is better, especially wider.
TEMPERATURA	The air should be kept at 27-30 °C by day, and the warmest spot, a thick branch under a lamp, should have a surface temperature of 32-35 °C measured with an infrared thermometer.
HUMEDAD Y AGUA	Humidity should be 60-70 % by day and rise to 70-80 % at night.
ILUMINACIÓN Y UVB	*Corytophanes cristatus* is active by day and needs UVB all day, even though it is a shade species.
ALIMENTACIÓN	The species is insectivorous and takes large, slow prey: cockroaches (such as discoid and dubia), silkworms, hornworms, grasshoppers, superworms and earthworms. Feeder insects should be about as large as the animal's head.
COMPORTAMIENTO Y MANIPULACIÓN	The species is shy and peaceful but sensitive to disturbance, and it is better suited to observing than to handling. It often sits perfectly still for hours and moves slowly.
ÁREA DE DISTRIBUCIÓN NATURAL	México, Belice, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panamá y Colombia.

La guía completa con mapa y actualizaciones: herpy.org/en/iguanas/corytophanes-cristatus