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SERPIENTES

Green Anaconda

Eunectes murinus

Eunectes murinus is the world's heaviest snake: an olive-green, extremely powerful constrictor from the rivers and flooded plains of South America that spends most of its life in water. Females are typically 4-5 m and weigh 30-80 kg, while males are far smaller. The species requires a purpose-built room with a large, deep pool, a keeper with great experience and at least two people for all handling.

Familia: Boidae Nombre anterior: *Boa murina; Eunectes gigas; Eunectes barbouri*

DATOS CLAVE

EL ANIMAL

Tamaño adulto	**300-500 cm** longitud total con la cola
Esperanza de vida	**20-30 años**
Activo	**Al crepúsculo y de noche**
Modo de vida	**Semiacuático**
Hábitat	**Sabana, selva tropical y humedal**
Dificultad	**Experto**

CUIDADOS

Terrario mín.	**500 × 250 × 120 cm** L × An × Al para 1 adulto
Temperatura, día	**26-30 °C**
Punto caliente	**31-34 °C**
Temperatura, noche	**24-26 °C**
Humedad	**70-90 %**
Agua	**Acuaterrario** profundidad 50-70 cm
Temperatura del agua	**26-28 °C**
UVB	**Opcional**
Alimentación	**Vertebrados**
Se mantiene	**En solitario**

CRÍA

Reproducción	**Vivípara**
Madurez sexual	**36-48 meses**
Tamaño de la camada	**20-40 crías**
Gestación	**180-210 días**

PROTECCIÓN Y TRÁMITES

CITES	**Apéndice II**
Anexo de la UE	**Anexo B**
UICN	**Preocupación menor (LC)**

Cuidados de un vistazo

EL TERRARIO

Few documented set-ups exist for *Eunectes murinus*, and the figures here are based on its size and way of life: the species is a heavy, semi-aquatic snake, and care follows in broad terms that of the large pythons, for example *Malayopython reticulatus*.

TEMPERATURA

There is no species-specific temperature plan for *Eunectes murinus*. The figures correspond to the hot, humid lowland climate of the range and to what is used for other large, tropical constrictors.

HUMEDAD Y AGUA

Humidity should be 70-90 %, corresponding to the climate of the rainforest and wetlands.

AGUA Y CALIDAD DEL AGUA

The pool must take up at least half the floor area and be 50-70 cm deep, so that the snake can lie fully submerged and swim. The water should be 26-28 °C.

ILUMINACIÓN Y UVB

The species is most active at dusk and at night, and a need for UVB has not been documented.

ALIMENTACIÓN

E. murinus eats whole prey animals, mammals and birds.

COMPORTAMIENTO Y MANIPULACIÓN

E. murinus is a solitary snake that only seeks out others during the breeding season. It is therefore always kept singly. Housing together causes stress, and the female eats males.

ÁREA DE DISTRIBUCIÓN NATURAL

Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Perú, Bolivia, Brasil, Guyana, Surinam, Guayana Francesa, Paraguay y Trinidad y Tobago.