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Borneo Short-tailed Python

Python breitensteini

Python breitensteini is a heavy-bodied, short-tailed python from the lowland forests and swamp edges of Borneo, yellowish brown to dark brown with darker blotches and often a yellow head. It reaches 120-150 cm, weighs several kilos and eats rats. It is kept in a large, ventilated floor-space enclosure with stable heat, 60-70% humidity and a large water bowl.

Familia: Pythonidae Nombre anterior: *Python curtus breitensteini; Aspidoboa breitensteini*

DATOS CLAVE

EL ANIMAL

Tamaño adulto	**120-150 cm** longitud total con la cola
Peso	**4.000-7.000 g**
Esperanza de vida	**20-25 años**
Activo	**Al crepúsculo y de noche**
Modo de vida	**Terrestre**
Hábitat	**Selva tropical y humedal**
Dificultad	**Intermedio**

CUIDADOS

Terrario mín.	**120 × 60 × 45 cm** L × An × Al para 1 adulto
Temperatura, día	**27-28 °C**
Punto caliente	**30-31 °C**
Temperatura, noche	**25-26 °C**
Humedad	**60-70 %**
Agua	**Bebedero**
UVB	**No necesario**
Alimentación	**Vertebrados**
Se mantiene	**En solitario**

CRÍA

Reproducción	**Ovípara**
Madurez sexual	**36-48 meses**
Tamaño de la puesta	**12-30 huevos**
Incubación	**60-75 días** a 31-32 °C

PROTECCIÓN Y TRÁMITES

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

Cuidados de un vistazo

EL TERRARIO

An adult *Python breitensteini* needs an enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 45 cm (length × width × height). The species is terrestrial, so floor area matters more than height.

TEMPERATURA

By day the temperature should be 27-28 °C and by night 25-26 °C. If the snake has a warm spot, it should be 30-31 °C. Stable temperatures matter more than high ones, and excessive heat stresses the species.

HUMEDAD Y AGUA

Humidity should stay at 60-70%. If the air is too dry, shedding is poor and the skin comes off in pieces or sticks altogether.

ILUMINACIÓN Y UVB

Python breitensteini is most active in the evening and at night, but needs a fixed day-night rhythm of 12 hours of light and 12 hours of darkness controlled by a timer. The enclosure should not be brightly lit.

ALIMENTACIÓN

Python breitensteini eats rats from juvenile to adult. Juveniles start on hopper mice and quickly move on to rat pups.

COMPORTAMIENTO Y MANIPULACIÓN

Python breitensteini is sedentary and spends most of the day hidden. It is heavy and must be supported with both hands and forearms, never dangled or draped around the shoulders.

ÁREA DE DISTRIBUCIÓN NATURAL

Indonesia, Malasia y Brunéi.