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TORTUGAS

Chinese Three-striped Box Turtle

Cuora trifasciata

Cuora trifasciata is a medium-sized turtle from southern China with a hinged plastron, a brown carapace with three black lengthwise stripes and a yellow upper jaw. The shell grows to 25 cm. The species is semi-aquatic and needs a large aqua-terrarium with a basking spot, UVB and a land area. It is critically endangered in the wild, and captive-bred animals are the only right choice.

Familia: Geoemydidae Nombre anterior: *Sternothaerus trifasciatus; Cistudo trifasciata; Cyclemys trifasciata; Pyxiclemmys trifasciata*

DATOS CLAVE

EL ANIMAL

Tamaño adulto	**15-25 cm** longitud total con la cola
Esperanza de vida	**25-50 años**
Activo	**De día y al crepúsculo**
Modo de vida	**Semiacuático**
Hábitat	**Humedal**
Dificultad	**Avanzado**

CUIDADOS

Terrario mín.	**130 × 65 × 60 cm** L × An × Al para 2 adultos
Temperatura, día	**24-28 °C**
Punto caliente	**30-32 °C**
Temperatura, noche	**20-24 °C**
Humedad	**60-80 %**
Agua	**Acuaterrario** profundidad 20-30 cm
Temperatura del agua	**24-28 °C**
UVB	**Imprescindible** Zona Ferguson 2
Alimentación	**Insectos, alimento completo, plantas, vertebrados y lombrices/caracoles**
Se mantiene	**En solitario o en pareja**

CRÍA

Reproducción	**Ovípara**
Tamaño de la puesta	**3-4 huevos**
Puestas por año	**1**
Incubación	**85-90 días** a 26-30 °C

PROTECCIÓN Y TRÁMITES

CITES	**Apéndice II**
Anexo de la UE	**Anexo B**
UICN	**En peligro crítico (CR)**

Cuidados de un vistazo

EL TERRARIO	Little is known about keeping *Cuora trifasciata*, because the species is almost only kept in captive breeding and conservation projects.
TEMPERATURA	The air temperature should be 24-28 °C by day, and the basking spot should be 30-32 °C, measured with an infrared thermometer on the shell. At night the temperature can drop to 20-24 °C.
HUMEDAD Y AGUA	Humidity should be 60-80%, and the land area should be damp but not wet. *Cuora trifasciata* comes from a humid climate, and hatchlings dry out quickly.
AGUA Y CALIDAD DEL AGUA	The water should be 24-28 °C and about twice as deep as the shell is wide: 20-30 cm for adults.
ILUMINACIÓN Y UVB	UVB light is necessary for an animal kept indoors. Zone 2 is borrowed from the close relatives and suits a species that basks beside fresh water; the requirement has not been measured for the species.
ALIMENTACIÓN	*Cuora trifasciata* is omnivorous but eats mostly animal food.
COMPORTAMIENTO Y MANIPULACIÓN	*Cuora trifasciata* is shy and cautious. The animal withdraws and closes its shell when frightened, and seeks cover again. It is most active by day and at dusk. It is not an animal for handling.
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