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CAMÉLÉONS

## Werner's Chameleon

# *Trioceros werneri*

*Trioceros werneri* is a medium-sized, live-bearing chameleon from the cool mountains of southern and central Tanzania. The male has three horns, two above the eyes and one on the snout, while the female has only a single nasal horn or none at all. The species requires cool days, a pronounced drop in temperature at night and a long morning mist, and it is rare in captivity.

Famille: Chamaeleonidae  Ancien nom: *Chamaeleo werneri*

### INFORMATIONS ESSENTIELLES

#### L'ANIMAL

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| Taille adulte | **25-30 cm**<br>longueur totale queue comprise |
| Espérance de vie | **5-6 ans** |
| Activité | **Le jour** |
| Mode de vie | **Arboricole** |
| Habitat | **Forêt de montagne** |
| Difficulté | **Expérimenté** |

#### ENTRETIEN

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| Terrarium min. | **60 × 60 × 90 cm**<br>L × l × H pour 1 adulte |
| Température, jour | **20-22 °C** |
| Zone de bain de soleil | **24-26 °C** |
| Température, nuit | **10-15 °C** |
| Hygrométrie | **50-100 %** |
| UVB | **Recommandés**<br>Zone de Ferguson 2 |
| Alimentation | **Insectes** |
| Détention | **Seul** |

#### REPRODUCTION

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| Reproduction | **Vivipare** |
| Maturité sexuelle | **6-12 mois** |
| Taille de la portée | **8-30 petits** |
| Pontes par an | **1** |
| Gestation | **210-300 jours** |

#### PROTECTION ET FORMALITÉS

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| CITES | **Annexe II** |
| Annexe UE | **Annexe B** |
| UICN | **Préoccupation mineure (LC)** |

## L'entretien en bref

**LE TERRARIUM**

An adult needs an enclosure of at least 60 × 60 × 90 cm (length × width × height). The size is borrowed from other medium-sized mountain chameleons of the genus *Trioceros*, for example *Trioceros quadricornis*, and is a minimum.

**TEMPÉRATURE**

The species is a mountain animal and tolerates heat poorly. The daytime temperature in the enclosure should be 20-22 °C. At night the temperature should fall sharply to 10-15 °C.

**HYGROMÉTRIE ET EAU**

The species requires high humidity, and the enclosure must dry out during the day.

**ÉCLAIRAGE ET UVB**

The species is diurnal. Provide 12 hours of light a day all year round with a T5 HO tube of 6500 K or a powerful LED lamp across the width of the enclosure. UVB is recommended.

**ALIMENTATION**

*T. werneri* is an insectivore and eats most things that are small enough. Give crickets, silkworms, grasshoppers, flies and other small insects of suitable size.

**COMPORTEMENT ET MANIPULATION**

The species is kept singly. Adults bully each other and must not be kept together, and males must not be able to see each other. Gravid females are kept alone. The species is a display animal, not a pet.

**AIRE D'ORIGINE**

Tanzanie.