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LACERTIDÉS

Ibiza Wall Lizard

Podarcis pityusensis

Podarcis pityusensis is a robust, diurnal lizard from Ibiza, Formentera and the surrounding islets of the Balearics. It reaches 15-25 cm including the tail, is most often greenish with a pale stripe along the side and feeds on small arthropods, especially ants, and a little plant matter. It can live to a great age. Many island populations have their own colours and size. The species is threatened in the wild.

Famille: Lacertidae

INFORMATIONS ESSENTIELLES

L'ANIMAL

Taille adulte	**15-25 cm** longueur totale queue comprise
Espérance de vie	**10-30 ans**
Activité	**Le jour**
Mode de vie	**Rupicole et terrestre**
Habitat	**Terrain rocheux et forêt et prairie tempérées**
Difficulté	**Intermédiaire**

ENTRETIEN

Terrarium min.	**100 × 50 × 50 cm** L × l × H pour 2 adultes
Température, jour	**22-30 °C**
Zone de bain de soleil	**40-45 °C**
Température, nuit	**15-20 °C**
Hygrométrie	**40-60 %**
Eau	**Gamelle d'eau**
UVB	**Recommandés** Zone de Ferguson 3
Repos hivernal	**12-15 °C** 8-12 semaines
Alimentation	**Insectes, fruits et petits invertébrés (collemboles, drosophiles)**
Détention	**En couple**

REPRODUCTION

Reproduction	**Ovipare**
Maturité sexuelle	**18-24 mois**
Taille de la ponte	**1-4 œufs**
Pontes par an	**1-3**
Incubation	**30-43 jours** à 29-30 °C

PROTECTION ET FORMALITÉS

CITES	**Annexe II**
Annexe UE	**Annexe A**
UICN	**En danger (EN)**

L'entretien en bref

LE TERRARIUM

Little documented knowledge exists about the care of *Podarcis pityusensis*. The climate of the range is hot and dry with mild winters, and *Podarcis lilfordi* from the same islands has almost the same requirements.

TEMPÉRATURE

The gradient is the most important thing. The basking spot should be 40-45 °C at the surface, measured with an infrared thermometer, and the rest of the enclosure 22-30 °C by day.

HYGROMÉTRIE ET EAU

Humidity should be moderate: 40-60 % by day. The enclosure must be able to dry out completely, because still, humid air causes skin problems and fungus.

ÉCLAIRAGE ET UVB

Podarcis pityusensis is diurnal and lives in full sun, so the enclosure needs strong heat and UVB light. It belongs to Ferguson zone 3, with a UV index of about 3-5 at the basking spot.

ALIMENTATION

Podarcis pityusensis eats mostly small arthropods and also takes a little plant matter.

COMPORTEMENT ET MANIPULATION

Podarcis pityusensis is fast and shy in the enclosure, but active and curious when it feels secure. Males are territorial, and keeping two males together is not recommended.

AIRE D'ORIGINE

Espagne.