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TORTUES TERRESTRES ET AQUATIQUES

Home's Hinge-back Tortoise

Kinixys homeana

Kinixys homeana is a small West African tortoise with a low, angular shell and a movable hinge at the rear, which can close the shell over the hind legs and tail. The shell is just over 20 cm long. The species lives in moist forest and swampy areas, is most active at dusk and stresses easily. It is critically endangered in the wild, and little reliable information exists on its care.

Famille: Testudinidae Ancien nom: *Cinixys homeana; Kinixys belliana homeana*

INFORMATIONS ESSENTIELLES

L'ANIMAL

Taille adulte	**18-22 cm** longueur totale queue comprise
Espérance de vie	**30-50 ans**
Activité	**Au crépuscule**
Mode de vie	**Terrestre**
Habitat	**Forêt tropicale humide et zone humide**
Difficulté	**Expérimenté**

ENTRETIEN

Terrarium min.	**160 × 80 × 40 cm** L × l × H pour 1 adulte
Température, jour	**28-30 °C**
Température, nuit	**22-24 °C**
Hygrométrie	**70-90 %**
Eau	**Gamelle d'eau**
UVB	**Recommandés** Zone de Ferguson 2
Alimentation	**Insectes, fruits, plantes et vers/escargots**
Détention	**Seul**

REPRODUCTION

Reproduction	**Ovipare**
Taille de la ponte	**3-7 œufs**
Incubation	**110-115 jours** à 28-31 °C

PROTECTION ET FORMALITÉS

CITES	**Annexe I**
Annexe UE	**Annexe A**
UICN	**En danger critique (CR)**

L'entretien en bref

LE TERRARIUM	Little reliable information exists on the care of *Kinixys homeana*.
TEMPÉRATURE	By day the temperature should be 28-30 °C in most of the enclosure, and at night 22-24 °C. The night temperature is not documented for the species but suits a tropical lowland climate.
HYGROMÉTRIE ET EAU	As a forest species, *Kinixys homeana* needs more humidity than savanna species such as *Kinixys belliana*. Humidity should be 70-90 %, and newly imported or dehydrated animals need over 85 %.
ÉCLAIRAGE ET UVB	*K. homeana* is most active at dusk and stresses in bright light. Lighting should be subdued, with plants and hides where the animal can withdraw from the light.
ALIMENTATION	*K. homeana* is omnivorous, and young animals are almost exclusively carnivorous. The diet is roughly half plant material and half animal food.
COMPORTEMENT ET MANIPULATION	The species is shy and withdraws into its shell or burrows when disturbed. It is most active early in the morning and late in the day and spends a lot of time buried in damp substrate.
AIRE D'ORIGINE	Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Bénin, Nigeria, Cameroun, Guinée équatoriale, République centrafricaine et Soudan du Sud.