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Granite Spiny Lizard

Sceloporus orcutti

Sceloporus orcutti is a stout, dark rock lizard from southern California and Baja California. The male has a blue throat and belly, yellow and blue-green scales on the back and a broad violet stripe along the back. The species is diurnal, wary and fast, basks on granite boulders, feeds on insects and lays eggs. It needs a dry enclosure with crevices in stone, UVB and a hot basking spot.

Famiglia: Phrynosomatidae Nome precedente: *Sceloporus digueti*

DATI ESSENZIALI

L'ANIMALE

Dimensioni da adulto	**18-28 cm** lunghezza totale inclusa la coda
Aspettativa di vita	**5-8 anni**
Attività	**Di giorno**
Stile di vita	**Rupicolo**
Habitat	**Semideserto e terreno roccioso**
Difficoltà	**Intermedio**

CURA

Terrario min.	**100 × 50 × 50 cm** L × P × H per 1 adulto
Temperatura, giorno	**27-30 °C**
Punto caldo	**38-42 °C**
Temperatura, notte	**16-22 °C**
Umidità	**30-50%**
Acqua	**Ciotola d'acqua**
UVB	**Indispensabili** Zona Ferguson 3
Riposo invernale	**9-12 °C** 8-12 settimane
Alimentazione	**Insetti**
Detenzione	**Singolarmente, in coppia o un maschio con più femmine**

RIPRODUZIONE

Riproduzione	**Ovipara**
Uova per deposizione	**6-15 uova**
Incubazione	**60-80 giorni** a 27-30 °C

TUTELA E DOCUMENTI

CITES	**Non elencata**
Allegato UE	**Non elencata**
IUCN	**Minima preoccupazione (LC)**

La cura in breve

IL TERRARIO

Little detailed knowledge exists about the care of *Sceloporus orcutti*, and the recommendations here are based on the species' habitat and on the genus.

TEMPERATURA

By day the air should be 27-30 °C, and the basking spot should be 38-42 °C at the surface, measured with an infrared thermometer. Place the heat over a flat stone: the species lies flat against the heated stone to warm up quickly.

UMIDITÀ E ACQUA

The air should be dry to moderately humid: 30-50%. Ventilation must be good. Provide an easily accessible water dish, and change the water regularly.

ILLUMINAZIONE E UVB

S. orcutti is diurnal and heat-seeking and basks in bright light, so it needs strong lighting and UVB. Use a UVB tube in Ferguson zone 3 over the basking spot.

ALIMENTAZIONE

Sceloporus orcutti eats small invertebrates, occasionally small lizards and a little fruit and flowers. In the enclosure it gets insects: crickets, small roaches, mealworms, superworm larvae, silkworms and the occasional waxworm.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANIPOLAZIONE

Sceloporus orcutti is wary, fast and territorial. The male shows his blue throat and belly with push-ups, both to other males and to females.

AREALE D'ORIGINE

Stati Uniti e Messico.