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LACERTIDI

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.

Famiglia: Lacertidae

DATI ESSENZIALI

L'ANIMALE

Dimensioni da adulto	**15-25 cm** lunghezza totale inclusa la coda
Aspettativa di vita	**10-30 anni**
Attività	**Di giorno**
Stile di vita	**Rupicolo e terrestre**
Habitat	**Terreno roccioso e bosco e prato temperati**
Difficoltà	**Intermedio**

CURA

Terrario min.	**100 × 50 × 50 cm** L × P × H per 2 adulti
Temperatura, giorno	**22-30 °C**
Punto caldo	**40-45 °C**
Temperatura, notte	**15-20 °C**
Umidità	**40-60%**
Acqua	**Ciotola d'acqua**
UVB	**Consigliati** Zona Ferguson 3
Riposo invernale	**12-15 °C** 8-12 settimane
Alimentazione	**Insetti, frutta e piccoli invertebrati (collemboli, moscerini della frutta)**
Detenzione	**In coppia**

RIPRODUZIONE

Riproduzione	**Ovipara**
Maturità sessuale	**18-24 mesi**
Uova per deposizione	**1-4 uova**
Deposizioni all'anno	**1-3**
Incubazione	**30-43 giorni** a 29-30 °C

TUTELA E DOCUMENTI

CITES	**Appendice II**
Allegato UE	**Allegato A**
IUCN	**In pericolo (EN)**

La cura in breve

IL TERRARIO

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.

TEMPERATURA

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.

UMIDITÀ E ACQUA

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.

ILLUMINAZIONE E 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.

ALIMENTAZIONE

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

COMPORTAMENTO E MANIPOLAZIONE

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.

AREALE D'ORIGINE

Spagna.