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Macklot's Python

Liasis mackloti

Liasis mackloti is a robust, active python from Timor and the nearby Lesser Sunda Islands. It reaches 180-250 cm, is dark olive-brown with an iridescent sheen and reacts lightning-fast to prey. Young animals are often defensive, and adults are strong and need a large, solid enclosure, so the species is best suited to experienced snake keepers.

Famiglia: Pythonidae Nome precedente: *Python timorensis; Morelia mackloti*

DATI ESSENZIALI

L'ANIMALE

Dimensioni da adulto	**180-250 cm** lunghezza totale inclusa la coda
Aspettativa di vita	**15-25 anni**
Attività	**Al crepuscolo e di notte**
Stile di vita	**Arboricolo e terrestre**
Habitat	**Savana e zona umida**
Difficoltà	**Esperto**

CURA

Terrario min.	**180 × 90 × 90 cm** L × P × H per 1 adulto
Temperatura, giorno	**26-30 °C**
Punto caldo	**32-35 °C**
Temperatura, notte	**22-25 °C**
Umidità	**40-60%**
Acqua	**Ciotola d'acqua**
UVB	**Facoltativi** Zona Ferguson 2
Alimentazione	**Vertebrati**
Detenzione	**Singolarmente**

RIPRODUZIONE

Riproduzione	**Ovipara**
Uova per deposizione	**8-20 uova**
Incubazione	**60-75 giorni** a 30-32 °C

TUTELA E DOCUMENTI

CITES	**Appendice II**
Allegato UE	**Allegato B**
IUCN	**Minima preoccupazione (LC)**

La cura in breve

IL TERRARIO

Liasis mackloti reaches 180-250 cm, is active and climbs, and an adult needs an enclosure of at least 180 × 90 × 90 cm (length × width × height).

TEMPERATURA

The enclosure needs a clear gradient. By day the enclosure should be 26-30 °C, and the basking spot should have a surface temperature of 32-35 °C. At night the temperature should fall to 22-25 °C.

UMIDITÀ E ACQUA

L. mackloti thrives at 40-60 % humidity. Humidity rises after misting and at night, when the temperature falls. The enclosure must not be constantly wet, and ventilation must be good.

ILLUMINAZIONE E UVB

The species is active at dusk and at night, but it needs a fixed day-night rhythm. The light is on for 10-12 hours a day and switched off completely at night, controlled by a timer. Do not use red, blue or violet night lamps.

ALIMENTAZIONE

Liasis mackloti is a constrictor that eats whole prey. In the wild this is small mammals, birds and reptiles, and in captivity captive-bred animals readily take mice and rats of a size that suits the snake.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANIPOLAZIONE

L. mackloti is inquisitive, active and strong. Young animals and newly acquired animals can be defensive: they hiss, form an S with the body and strike repeatedly, and some bite.

AREALE D'ORIGINE

Indonesia, Timor Est e Papua Nuova Guinea.