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GEKKO'S

Texas banded gecko

Coleonyx brevis

Coleonyx brevis is a small, fragile desert gecko from the Chihuahuan Desert in the south-western USA and northern Mexico. It is banded, has movable eyelids, lacks adhesive lamellae under the toes and is active at dusk and at night. Its care resembles a small version of *Eublepharis macularius*, but the species tolerates very little handling.

Familie: Eublepharidae Vroegere naam: *Coleonyx variegatus brevis*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**10-12 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**1,9-3,3 g**
Levensduur	**15 jaar**
Actief	**In de schemering en 's nachts**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Woestijn, halfwoestijn en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**75 × 30 × 30 cm** L × B × H voor 3 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**22-29 °C**
Zonneplek	**32-35 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-40%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in groepen**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**2-3**
Incubatie	**60 dagen** bij 26-29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Niet opgenomen**
EU-bijlage	**Niet opgenomen**
IUCN	**Niet bedreigd (LC)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM
One to three animals need an enclosure of at least 75 × 30 × 30 cm (length × width × height). Bigger is always better. Smaller enclosures cannot hold a heat source, hides and a humid hide all at once.

TEMPERATUUR
Provide a temperature gradient. On the warm side there should be a hide at 32-35 °C, and the rest of the enclosure is kept at 22-29 °C. At night the temperature may fall to 18-22 °C, but not lower.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER
The species comes from a dry climate and thrives at an average humidity of 30-40 %, measured in the middle of the enclosure with a digital hygrometer.

VERLICHTING EN UVB
Coleonyx brevis is nocturnal and can in principle survive without UVB if it receives vitamin D3 with its food. The animals are, however, healthier with a weak UVB light, which also gives a clear day and night.

VOEDING
Coleonyx brevis eats insects and other small arthropods. In the wild it is not specialised and takes most things it comes across.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG
The species is gentle and does not bite, but it is small, fast and fragile, and handling stresses it. Keep it to a minimum. Feeding with soft tweezers is a good way to get close without picking the animal up. Never grab the tail.

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