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GEKKO'S

Helmeted gecko

Diplodactylus galeatus

Diplodactylus galeatus is a small, reddish-brown desert gecko from the mountains of central Australia with a pale, boldly marked helmet on the head and a short, thick tail. It is nocturnal, lives on insects and can be kept in a small, dry enclosure, but it is very rare outside Australia.

Familie: Diplodactylidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**7-9 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**5-8 jaar**
Actief	**'s nachts**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Woestijn en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**40 × 25 × 25 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**24-27 °C**
Zonneplek	**29-31 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-50%**
UVB	**Optioneel**
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair, in paren of één mannetje met meerdere vrouwtjes**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**3-4**
Incubatie	**46-60 dagen** bij 27-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

The care of *Diplodactylus galeatus* has not been described in detail, so the recommendations here are based on the genus *Diplodactylus*.

TEMPERATUUR

For *Diplodactylus galeatus* the heat must lie at one end, so that the animal can choose. The warm end should hold about 29-31 °C and the cool end about 24 °C. Do not heat the whole terrarium.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

Diplodactylus galeatus comes from dry regions, and the genus prefers a dry environment without much humidity. Humidity should be 30-50 %.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

Diplodactylus galeatus is nocturnal, and like the rest of the genus it does not need UVB. Give 10-12 hours of light a day, ideally controlled by a timer, and keep it dark at night.

VOEDING

Diplodactylus galeatus lives on small insects. Crickets make a good staple, but other small insects such as smaller grasshoppers, small dubia roaches and now and then waxworms can also be used.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Diplodactylus galeatus is quiet and somewhat shy. By day it sleeps in its hide and becomes active when the light goes off. The genus is fairly active in the evening, when the animals patrol around the enclosure.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Australië.