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GEKKO'S

Turkmenistan eyelid gecko

Eublepharis turcmenicus

A terrestrial gecko with movable eyelids from the rocky foothills of the Kopet Dag in Turkmenistan and northern Iran. *Eublepharis turcmenicus* is a rare visitor in terrariums, and much of its care is based on the close relative *Eublepharis macularius*: dry and warm by day, cooler at night, live insects and a long, cool winter rest if the animals are to breed.

Familie: Eublepharidae Vroegere naam: *Eublepharis turkmenicus*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**17-25 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**15-20 jaar**
Actief	**In de schemering en 's nachts**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**90 × 45 × 45 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**25-26 °C**
Zonneplek	**35-37 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-40%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 1
Winterrust	**13-14 °C** 12-13 weken
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**18 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**2 eieren**
Incubatie	**57 dagen** bij 27 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

The setup is based on *Eublepharis macularius*, which lives in similar conditions. An adult needs an enclosure of at least 90 × 45 × 45 cm (length × width × height), corresponding to a floor area of about 0.4 m².

TEMPERATUUR

Eublepharis turcmenicus needs a clear temperature gradient. By day the air should be 25-26 °C and the surface under the heat source 35-37 °C, and at night the temperature drops to 20-23 °C.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

The species comes from dry surroundings and needs dry air of 30-40 %, which corresponds to the humidity in most homes. A mesh lid or other good ventilation keeps the air dry.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

The species is most active at dusk and at night and can live without UVB when the food contains vitamin D3. Nocturnal geckos do, however, make use of UVB and benefit from it when given the chance.

VOEDING

The gecko lives on insects and should not be given vegetables or fruit. In the wild it also takes small vertebrates, but this is not necessary in captivity.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Eublepharis turcmenicus is a calm gecko, and handling follows *E. macularius*: the animal can be handled once it has had two weeks to settle in and has eaten normally.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Turkmenistan en Iran.