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GEKKO'S

Common dwarf gecko

Lygodactylus capensis

Lygodactylus capensis is a small, greyish-brown dwarf gecko from southern and eastern Africa, where it lives on trees in savanna and open woodland and often on house walls. It is diurnal, grows to 7-9 cm including the tail and weighs less than 1 g. The species is the type species of its genus and common in the wild, but rarely kept.

Familie: Gekkonidae Vroegere naam: *Hemidactylus capensis; Lygodactylus strigatus*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**7-9 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**0,7-1,1 g**
Levensduur	**4-6 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend**
Leefgebied	**Savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**30 × 30 × 40 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**25-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**30-35 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**50-75%**
Water	**Geen waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**In paren of één mannetje met meerdere vrouwtjes**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**9-15 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**60-120 dagen** bij 24-27 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM
Little is known about the care of *Lygodactylus capensis*. The climate in the range is hot, with rain in summer and a dry, cooler winter, and the species lives on trees in savanna and open woodland.

TEMPERATUUR
By day the background temperature should be 25-30 °C with a basking spot of 30-35 °C under a small spot lamp.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER
Humidity is kept at 50-60 % by day and 60-75 % at night. Mist lightly every morning, so that leaves and walls get droplets, and let the enclosure dry out during the day.

VERLICHTING EN UVB
Lygodactylus capensis often sits in full sun and needs strong, even light. Use T5 fluorescent tubes or daylight LEDs, combined with a UVB tube.

VOEDING
Ants make up 30-50 % of the diet in the wild. In the enclosure the diet consists of small live feeder insects: small crickets, fruit flies, springtails, bean weevils, small isopods and small cockroaches.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG
Lygodactylus capensis is fast and can easily escape or be injured, and the tail is easily shed, so the species is not suited to handling. Open the doors only briefly, and watch for gaps through which the animals can escape.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED
Zuid-Afrika, Eswatini, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Namibië, Angola, Zambia, Malawi, Congo-Kinshasa, Tanzania en Kenia.