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GEKKO'S

Festive gecko

Narudasia festiva

Narudasia festiva is a tiny, slender rock gecko from southern Namibia with a purple-brown body and a yellow-orange tail. The genus is the only reptile genus found only in Namibia. It sits on rocks and waves its tail, and it needs warm, dry rock crevices and cool nights. Little is known about its care, so it is a species for the experienced keeper.

Familie: Gekkonidae Vroegere naam: *Quedenfeldtia festiva*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**5-8 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**5-10 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**40 × 30 × 40 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**24-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**32-34 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**16-20 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-50%**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**60-90 dagen** bij 24-28 °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 *Narudasia festiva*. The advice draws on the climate and habitat and on other small rock geckos from Namibia such as *Afroedura africana* and *Pachydactylus rangei*. The figures are estimates.

TEMPERATUUR

The daytime temperature should be 24-30 °C, and a basking spot on a stone under a lamp should be 32-34 °C, measured on the surface of the stone. The rest of the enclosure should be cooler, so the animal can choose.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

Keep the air dry and well ventilated, around 30-50 % relative humidity. Mist lightly a few times a week, so the animals can drink droplets from stones and the background, and let the enclosure dry out again.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

The species is diurnal and sits on sunlit rocks in the wild, so UVB is recommended.

VOEDING

The gecko is insectivorous and takes small prey. Offer newly hatched and small crickets, fruit flies, small mealworms, firebrats, springtails and small cockroaches. Prey must be smaller than the distance between the animal's eyes.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

The gecko is small and fragile and is best suited to being watched. It waves its tail when sitting on a rock and may lose the tail if it is grabbed. Avoid handling it, and never grab it by the tail.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Namibië.