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GEKKO'S

Eastern prickly knob-tailed gecko

Nephrurus asper

Nephrurus asper is a stocky, spiny knob-tailed gecko from eastern and northern Queensland with rough, tuberculate skin and a short tail ending in a round knob. It is nocturnal, feeds on insects and is one of the few geckos that cannot shed its tail.

Familie: Carphodactylidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**10-12 cm** kop-romplengte
Levensduur	**10-15 jaar**
Actief	**'s nachts**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Savanne en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**60 × 45 × 30 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**24-28 °C**
Zonneplek	**30-32 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-50%**
UVB	**Optioneel**
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**18 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**65-100 dagen** bij 27-29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage III**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage C**
IUCN	**Niet bedreigd (LC)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

Little is known about the husbandry of *Nephrurus asper*. The figures here are borrowed from *Nephrurus amyae*, which is the closest and best-known relative with the same way of life.

TEMPERATUUR

Keep the background at 24-28 °C during the day and a warm spot at one end at 30-32 °C. At night the temperature falls to 20-23 °C.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

The species comes from a climate with a long dry season and is kept dry at a humidity of 30-50 %. Mist the top of the hide once or twice a week so that the gecko can lick water from the surface. A water bowl is not necessary.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

The species is nocturnal and does not need bright light. UVB is optional; a weak UVB light over part of the enclosure can be used when there is plenty of cover, so that the animal can always retreat from it.

VOEDING

The species feeds on insects and other small arthropods. Offer crickets, small cockroaches and locusts as the staple, and occasionally soldier fly larvae, waxworms or mealworms.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

The animal is calm and tolerates short handling, but it is an animal to watch rather than to hold. Keep sessions short and close to the floor, and do not pick it up during the day when it is sleeping.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

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