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GEKKO'S

Northern velvet gecko

Oedura castelnaui

Oedura castelnaui is a flattened, nocturnal climber from open woodland and savanna in northern Queensland, especially on the Cape York Peninsula. It lives hidden by day and comes out when darkness falls. Care and breeding are largely based on experience with other species in the genus.

Familie: Diplodactylidae Vroegere naam: *Phyllodactylus castelnaui; Oedura mayeri*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**15-20 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**10-15 jaar**
Actief	**'s nachts**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**45 × 45 × 60 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**24-28 °C**
Zonneplek	**30-32 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-24 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**40-70%**
UVB	**Optioneel** Fergusonzone 1
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**60-75 dagen** bij 26-29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

A single adult *Oedura castelnaui* needs a tall enclosure of at least 45 × 45 × 60 cm (length × width × height). A pair needs somewhat more, for example 60 × 45 × 60 cm.

TEMPERATUUR

Keep the daytime temperature at 24-28 °C and let a small area reach 30-32 °C, for example under a low lamp or a heat mat on the side. At night the temperature may fall to 20-24 °C.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

Keep the air at around 40-60 % with a brief rise to nearly 70 % after misting in the evening. Let the enclosure dry out during the day. Always put a shallow bowl of fresh water in the enclosure, and change it every day.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

Oedura castelnaui is nocturnal, and UVB is not essential. A weak UVB light is nevertheless a reasonable choice, as long as there is also shade.

VOEDING

Oedura castelnaui lives on insects. Give live feeder insects of a suitable size: crickets, dubia roaches, grasshoppers and now and then mealworms or waxworms.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Like other *Oedura* species, *Oedura castelnaui* is probably calm, but secretive and quick, and it wriggles free fast if you grab it. Do not pick it up more often than necessary.

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