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GEKKO'S

Gold dust day gecko

Phelsuma laticauda

A small, shiny green day gecko from northern Madagascar and the Comoros with a sprinkling of gold dust over the neck and back and red streaks on the head and back. It is beautiful, quick and inquisitive, but delicate, and is best as an animal to watch, not to hold in the hand.

Familie: Gekkonidae Vroegere naam: *Pachydactylus laticauda*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**10-15 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**6-10 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend**
Leefgebied	**Regenwoud**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**30 × 30 × 45 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**26-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**31-33 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**60-75%**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten, fruit, nectar en kant-en-klaar voer**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**10-14 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**40-85 dagen** bij 26-29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage II**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage B**
IUCN	**Niet bedreigd (LC)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM
A single animal can live in a tall enclosure of at least 30 × 30 × 45 cm (length × width × height), but bigger is always better. A pair needs at least 45 × 45 × 60 cm, so that the female can get away from the male.

TEMPERATUUR
By day there should be 26-30 °C in the enclosure and a basking spot of 31-33 °C on a branch under the lamp. Leave the lower part of the enclosure cooler, about 23-25 °C, so that the animal can choose for itself.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER
Keep humidity at 60-75 %. Mist thoroughly morning and evening, so that humidity briefly rises to 80 % or more, and let it fall again before the next misting. It is the daily drying out that keeps the substrate and plants healthy.

VERLICHTING EN UVB
The species is diurnal and used to strong sunlight, so the enclosure must be bright and have a heat lamp for the basking spot.

VOEDING
The staple is small, well-fed insects such as crickets, dubia roaches, soldier fly larvae and now and then waxworms.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG
The gecko is quick, watchful and a little nervous, and does best when it is left in peace. The skin is thin and easily damaged, and the tail is dropped under stress or rough treatment.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED
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