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Pristurus crucifer

Pristurus crucifer is a small, ground-dwelling gecko from the Horn of Africa and south-western Arabia. The body measures no more than about 4 cm from snout to vent. Like most of the genus, it is active by day, and it needs heat, strong light and UVB. The species is rare in captivity, so its care is based on close relatives.

Familie: Sphaerodactylidae Vroegere naam: *Gymnodactylus crucifer; Pristurus stefaninii*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**4 cm** kop-romplengte
Levensduur	**5-10 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag en in de schemering**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**60 × 40 × 40 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**28-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**38-42 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-40%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Incubatie	**70-90 dagen** bij 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 *Pristurus crucifer*. The climate in the range is hot and dry, and the species lives on the ground and hunts from a lookout in the sun.

TEMPERATUUR

Create a clear gradient. The cool end is kept at 28-30 °C, and under a spotlight a basking spot of 38-42 °C is made. At night the temperature can fall to 20-23 °C without extra heat.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

The air should be dry, about 30-40 %. A dry substrate and good ventilation keep the humidity down, and a hygrometer shows whether the level holds.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

Pristurus crucifer is active by day and basks, so light matters greatly. Provide strong daylight and a UVB tube, for example a T5 tube with 10-12 % UVB, above the basking spot.

VOEDING

The species feeds on insects. Offer small feeder insects: springtails, fruit flies, small crickets and newly hatched cockroaches. Prey must not be wider than the distance between the animal's eyes.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Pristurus crucifer is a small, fast and wary animal that is not suited to handling. The tail can break off if you grab it. Pick the animal up only when necessary.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Saoedi-Arabië, Eritrea, Ethiopië, Somalië en Kenia.