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Southern spiny-tailed gecko

Strophurus intermedius

Strophurus intermedius is a sturdily built spiny-tailed gecko from the semi-arid mallee scrub and woodland of southern Australia. The back and tail carry two rows of orange-brown tubercles, and when in danger it squirts a sticky, foul-smelling fluid from the tail. It climbs in bushes and trees, but also spends much time on the ground.

Familie: Diplodactylidae Vroegere naam: *Diplodactylus intermedius*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**6-8 cm** kop-romplengte
Levensduur	**4-10 jaar**
Actief	**In de schemering en 's nachts**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**30 × 30 × 45 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**25-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**30-32 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-25 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**40-60%**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair, in paren of één mannetje met meerdere vrouwtjes**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**24-36 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**2-5**
Incubatie	**45-60 dagen** bij 27-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	Spiny-tailed geckos use space well, so the enclosure does not need to be large. A pair can be kept in 30 × 30 × 45 cm (length × width × height), and a male with several females needs more space.
TEMPERATUUR	Use 25-30 °C by day and a basking spot of 30-32 °C high up on a branch. At night the heat is switched off, and the temperature may fall to 18-25 °C. The figures are borrowed from the other species in the genus.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	Humidity should be moderate, about 40-60 %, and the enclosure must dry out completely during the day.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species basks occasionally, so UVB is an advantage, especially for young animals and breeding females.
VOEDING	In the wild *Strophurus intermedius* feeds exclusively on arthropods: spiders, centipedes, scorpions, cockroaches, crickets, beetles and their larvae.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Strophurus intermedius* is an animal to watch and should not be handled more than strictly necessary. It can squirt its sticky, foul-smelling fluid, and it can lose its tail. Never grab the animal by the tail.
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