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KAMELEONS

## Boettger's Chameleon

# *Calumma boettgeri*

*Calumma boettgeri* is one of the smallest chameleons, only 8-10 cm long, with a soft, round-oval rostral appendage and subdued colours in yellow, greenish brown and beige. It lives in rainforest in north-western Madagascar, including the islands of Nosy Be and Nosy Komba. The species needs warm, humid air with cooler nights and is for the experienced keeper. Its boundaries have been unclear.

Familie: Chamaeleonidae  Vroegere naam: *Chamaeleo boettgeri; Chamaeleon boettgeri; Chamaeleon macrorhinus*

### KERNGEGEVENS

#### HET DIER

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| Volwassen grootte | **8-10 cm**<br>totale lengte incl. staart |
| Levensduur | **3-5 jaar** |
| Actief | **Overdag** |
| Levenswijze | **Boombewonend** |
| Leefgebied | **Regenwoud** |
| Moeilijkheidsgraad | **Ervaren** |

#### VERZORGING

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| Min. terrarium | **40 × 40 × 60 cm**<br>L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier |
| Temperatuur overdag | **22-27 °C** |
| Zonneplek | **27-29 °C** |
| Temperatuur 's nachts | **16-20 °C** |
| Luchtvochtigheid | **70-100%** |
| UVB | **Aanbevolen**<br>Fergusonzone 2 |
| Voeding | **Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)** |
| Gehouden | **Solitair** |

#### KWEEK

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| Voortplanting | **Eierleggend** |
| Geslachtsrijp | **9 maanden** |
| Legselgrootte | **4-5 eieren** |
| Incubatie | **90 dagen**<br>bij 22-24 °C |

#### BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

## Verzorging in het kort

**HET TERRARIUM**

Little is known about the care of *Calumma boettgeri*. The climate below is based on measurements from the species' habitats.

**TEMPERATUUR**

By day the temperature should be 22-27 °C, with a basking spot of 27-29 °C. The temperature must not exceed 29 °C on the warmest branches.

**LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER**

Humidity must be high: 70-80 % for part of the day and higher at night, up to 100 % after misting.

**VERLICHTING EN UVB**

The species is diurnal and needs bright daylight for 12 hours a day. UVB is recommended. Aim for Ferguson zone 2, that is a UV index of about 2-3 on the highest branches, with a T5 HO UVB tube and plenty of shade.

**VOEDING**

*C. boettgeri* eats small insects: fruit flies, springtails, small crickets and small grasshoppers. The feeder insects must be small, because the animal itself is so small. Young are fed daily, adults every other day.

**GEDRAG EN OMGANG**

The species is kept singly, because individuals are aggressive towards one another. Handling should be limited to what is necessary, and a new animal is given two weeks in peace.

**NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED**

Madagaskar.