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Madagascan Mantella

Mantella madagascariensis

Mantella madagascariensis is a small, diurnal frog from the rainforests of east-central Madagascar: black with red-orange, black-spotted hind legs, pale green spots at the forelegs and a sky-blue, horseshoe-shaped marking on the throat. It grows to only 21-25 mm, feeds on ants and other small arthropods and needs a cool, humid enclosure. The species is vulnerable in the wild, so preferably choose captive-bred animals.

Familie: Mantellidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**21-25 mm** kop-romplengte
Levensduur	**4-8 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Regenwoud en bergbos**
Huidgif in het wild	**Mild**
Huidgif in gevangenschap	**Geen** Nakweekdieren. Wildvang kan het gif lang behouden
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Ontwikkeling	**Kikkervisjes in het water**
Legplaats	**Op de grond**
Geslachtsrijp	**12-18 maanden**
Eieren per legsel	**12-30**
Uitkomen	**3-12 dagen**
Larvenperiode	**56-112 dagen** van uitkomen tot metamorfose
Voeding van de larven	**Algen/planten en kant-en-klaar voer**
Broedzorg	**Geen**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**60 × 30 × 30 cm** L × B × H voor 4 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**20-23 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**16-18 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**70-100%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Optioneel** Fergusonzone 1
Voeding	**Kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**In groepen**

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage II**
IUCN	**Kwetsbaar (VU)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	A low, flat enclosure of at least 60 × 30 × 30 cm (length × width × height) holds a group of four adults. The frog lives on the ground, so floor area is more important than height.
TEMPERATUUR	*Mantella madagascariensis* thrives cool. During the day it should be 20-23 °C, and at night the temperature may fall to 16-18 °C.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN SPROEIEN	Humidity should be high most of the time, 70-100 %, especially when it is warm. Mist the enclosure with dechlorinated water every day, heavily in warm weather and a little less when it is cold.
WATER EN WATERKWALITEIT	Place a shallow water bowl in the enclosure, and keep it full at all times. The frogs are poor swimmers, so the bowl must be so shallow that they can easily get out, and it must not take up much of the floor.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	No UVB requirement is documented for the species, and the frogs manage without. A weak UVB light (Ferguson zone 1) can be used as an optional extra, provided there is shade and plants so the animals can choose.
VOEDING	The frog is an eager hunter and can eat relatively large prey for its size. In the wild it feeds mostly on ants and mites.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Mantella madagascariensis* is diurnal and can be seen patrolling its area and hunting for food for most of the day. The males call from the leaf litter to defend the area and attract females, and they may wrestle with one another.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Madagaskar.