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LEGUANEN

Lesser Antillean Iguana

Iguana delicatissima

Iguana delicatissima is a large, herbivorous iguana from the northern Lesser Antilles that grows up to 130 cm long. It is critically endangered in the wild and is kept and bred only in a few zoos and by a few private keepers. It needs a very large, tall enclosure with strong heat, UVB, a seasonal rhythm and a permanent nesting site.

Familie: Iguanidae Vroegere naam: *Iguana nudicollis*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**80-130 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**20-32 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Droog bos, regenwoud en moerasgebied**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Expert**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**200 × 150 × 180 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**26-34 °C**
Zonneplek	**38-45 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**18-28 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**60-80%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Planten**
Gehouden	**Solitair of één mannetje met meerdere vrouwtjes**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**24-36 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**4-26 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-2**
Incubatie	**83-97 dagen** bij 29-31 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage II**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage B**
IUCN	**Ernstig bedreigd (CR)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	An adult needs at least 3 m² of floor space, and a pair at least 4 m², for example 200 × 150 cm for one animal.
TEMPERATUUR	The basking spot should be 38-45 °C all year, and the heat should cover an area larger than the largest animal, so that the whole body is warmed evenly.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	Humidity should be high all year, around 60-80 %. Mist the enclosure every morning and in summer also in the evening, more heavily in the wet season than in the dry. In large rooms a humidifier helps.
WATER EN WATERKWALITEIT	Provide a bowl of clean water, changed daily. The species swims well but seldom enters the water of its own accord in captivity, so a pond is not necessary. It can, however, help keep humidity up.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	*Iguana delicatissima* is diurnal and needs very strong light and UVB. The basking spot should have a UV index of 5-6 for adults and 3-4 for juveniles, and there should be a gradient down to zero in the low, shaded parts.
VOEDING	*Iguana delicatissima* is herbivorous. The basic diet is a mixture of as many kinds of dark green leaves and herbs as possible all year: dandelion, plantain, clover, alfalfa, thistles, ground elder, nettles and short-cut grass.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	The species is calm, and aggressive clashes are rare, but it is more sensitive to stress than *Iguana iguana*. Persistent stress can stop breeding and in the worst case kill a female.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Anguilla, Saint-Martin, Sint-Maarten, Saint-Barthélemy, Caribisch Nederland, Saint Kitts en Nevis, Antigua en Barbuda, Guadeloupe, Dominica en Martinique.