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LANDSCHILDPADDEN EN WATERSCHILDPADDEN

Eastern Snake-necked Turtle

Chelodina longicollis

Chelodina longicollis is a medium-sized, carnivorous freshwater turtle from south-eastern Australia. The neck is so long that it reaches about 60 % of the shell length, and the animal catches its prey with a lightning-fast strike from the bottom. Females grow to 28 cm. The species needs a large, deep and clean tank with a basking spot, and it is an animal to watch, not to pick up.

Familie: Chelidae Vroegere naam: *Chelodina novaehollandiae*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**18-28 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**450-820 g**
Levensduur	**30-50 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Semi-aquatisch**
Leefgebied	**Moerasgebied en gematigd bos en grasland**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**150 × 75 × 65 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**22-26 °C**
Zonneplek	**30-34 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**50-80%**
Water	**Aquaterrarium** diepte 35-40 cm
Watertemperatuur	**22-25 °C**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten, gewervelde dieren en wormen/slakken**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**84-144 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**6-24 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-3**
Incubatie	**110-185 dagen** bij 26-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Niet opgenomen**
EU-bijlage	**Niet opgenomen**
IUCN	**Niet beoordeeld (NE)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	Keep *Chelodina longicollis* in an aquarium or tub, not in an ordinary terrarium. The species is a bottom-dwelling swimmer and needs depth more than basking space.
TEMPERATUUR	The water should be 22-25 °C. The temperature is maintained with a thermostat-controlled water heater, and measurements are taken both in and above the water.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The turtle's moisture is the water, so air humidity is not decisive; 50-80 % in the room is sufficient. What matters is clean water. Change about a quarter to a third of the water every week, and remove food remains after the meal.
WATER EN WATERKWALITEIT	The water is the animal's home. For adults it should be 35-40 cm deep (at least twice as deep as the shell is wide), well oxygenated, clean and 22-25 °C.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species is diurnal and depends on UV light for its bones. It spends less time at the basking spot than *Trachemys scripta*, but UVB is still necessary.
VOEDING	*Chelodina longicollis* is a carnivore. The food must be animal-based and varied: earthworms, bloodworms and blackworms, crickets and other insects, small fish such as guppies, shrimp, krill, mussels and snails.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Chelodina longicollis* is an animal for observation. It is not social and lives alone in the wild, and in a tank fights often arise between two animals, because the dominant one grows faster. Keep one animal.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Australië.