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Yellow-Footed Tortoise

Chelonoidis denticulatus

Chelonoidis denticulatus is a large, dark forest tortoise from the Amazon and the adjoining forests with yellow to orange scales on the head and legs. The shell is typically 35-45 cm long, and in some populations the animals reach 60-70 cm. The species can live for more than 50 years, requires even warmth and high humidity all year and eats leaves, fruit and a little animal food.

Familie: Testudinidae Vroegere naam: *Chelonoidis denticulata; Geochelone denticulata; Testudo denticulata; Testudo tabulata*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**35-70 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**50-60 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Droog bos en regenwoud**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**320 × 160 × 60 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**26-29 °C**
Zonneplek	**29-32 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**70-90%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 2
Voeding	**Insecten, fruit, planten en wormen/slakken**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in groepen**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**96-120 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**2-7 eieren**
Incubatie	**120-190 dagen** bij 29-31 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage II**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage B**
IUCN	**Kwetsbaar (VU)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

Chelonoidis denticulatus is kept broadly like its close relative *Chelonoidis carbonarius*, but is a more distinctly forest species that requires more shade, more stable warmth and an evenly high humidity.

TEMPERATUUR

The air temperature is 26-29 °C by day, and the basking spot under the heat lamp is 29-32 °C, measured on the surface itself. The cooler end is 24-26 °C. At night the temperature may fall to 20-23 °C, but never below 18 °C.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

Humidity must be 70-90 %, which suits a humid forest species. The substrate must be evenly moist without standing in water.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

C. denticulatus is diurnal, but a shade-loving forest species that does not bask in bright light like desert species. UVB is necessary all the same: measure a UV index of 2.0-3.0 at the basking spot (Ferguson zone 2).

VOEDING

C. denticulatus is an omnivore. In the wild it eats leaves, grass, flowers, fallen fruit, fungi, carrion and slow small animals. Fruit makes up slightly more of the diet than in *C. carbonarius*, but the staple is still leaves.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

The species is calm and inquisitive, but often a little more reserved than *C. carbonarius*, and it prefers to stay close to cover. Many animals do become trusting and come forward when there is food.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Venezuela, Guyana, Suriname, Frans-Guyana, Brazilië, Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia en Trinidad en Tobago.