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LANDSCHILDPADDEN EN WATERSCHILDPADDEN

South African Bowsprit Tortoise

Chersina angulata

Chersina angulata is a medium-sized, domed tortoise from the coastal and scrub regions of South Africa. It is recognised by the large, projecting shield under the chin (the gular scute), which males use to overturn rivals. The shell length is typically 17-19 cm. It is hardy in its own Mediterranean-type climate, but copes poorly with cold and damp and needs plenty of space, sun and dry, sandy ground.

Familie: Testudinidae Vroegere naam: *Testudo angulata; Testudo bellii; Goniochersus angulatus; Neotestudo angulata; Chersine angulata*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**15-35 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**30-50 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**160 × 80 × 40 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**22-28 °C**
Zonneplek	**32-35 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**12-18 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**40-60%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Insecten en planten**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**120-144 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-2 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-6**
Incubatie	**94-198 dagen** bij 28-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM
Little published knowledge exists on the care of *Chersina angulata* outside South Africa.

TEMPERATUUR
By day the enclosure should be 22-28 °C, with a basking spot of 32-35 °C under a lamp, measured on the substrate. The figures are estimated from the climate of the habitat and borrowed from *T. hermanni*.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER
C. angulata belongs to dry to semi-dry habitats and needs a humidity of 40-60 %; the figure is an estimate based on the habitat. Keep most of the substrate dry and make a slightly damper corner under a shelter.

VERLICHTING EN UVB
C. angulata is diurnal and basks a great deal. Sunlight is best, and the animal should be outside in the sun whenever the weather allows.

VOEDING
In the wild herbs and grasses are the most important food, and the animal also eats moss, fungi, insects, snail shells and droppings. It feeds selectively and changes its food with the season.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG
The species is shy and withdraws under bushes or half-buries itself.

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