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SKINKEN

Italian Three-toed Skink

Chalcides chalcides

Chalcides chalcides is a slender, almost snake-like skink from Italy and North Africa with small legs, three toes on each foot and a tail at least as long as the body. It lives in sunlit meadows with dense, low vegetation, burrows and gives birth to live young. Little is known about its care, so this guide is based on the species in the wild and on its relative *Chalcides ocellatus*.

Familie: Scincidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**25-40 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**9-20 g**
Levensduur	**10-15 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend en gravend**
Leefgebied	**Gematigd bos en grasland**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**90 × 40 × 30 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**22-28 °C**
Zonneplek	**32-35 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**15-20 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**40-70%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Winterrust	**8-12 °C** 8-12 weken
Voeding	**Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Levendbarend**
Worpgrootte	**4-9 jongen**
Legsels per jaar	**1**
Draagtijd	**80-100 dagen**

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Niet opgenomen**
EU-bijlage	**Niet opgenomen**
IUCN	**Niet bedreigd (LC)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	Little is known about the care of *Chalcides chalcides*. The species' habitat is known: damp, sunlit meadows with dense, low vegetation and a Mediterranean climate with mild winters and hot, dry summers.
TEMPERATUUR	The species is diurnal and basks. Temperatures are not documented for captivity, and the figures here are estimated from the climate of Italy and from *Chalcides ocellatus*.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The species lives in damp meadows, but not in water. Humidity should be moderate, 40-70 %, and the substrate should be slightly moist at depth and dry at the surface.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species is diurnal and basks, so it needs strong light and UVB.
VOEDING	In the wild *Chalcides chalcides* eats almost exclusively ground-dwelling arthropods: spiders are the most frequent prey (over 40 %), followed by woodlice, beetle larvae and bugs such as shield bugs and cicadas.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Chalcides chalcides* is shy and lives hidden. In the wild it stays in dense vegetation and burrows, and in the enclosure it is seen mostly when basking or hunting.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Italië, Algerije, Tunesië en Libië.