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SKINKEN

Pink-Tongued Lizard

Cyclodomorphus gerrardii

Cyclodomorphus gerrardii is a slender, calm skink from eastern Australia with a pink tongue, dark crossbands and a long, weakly prehensile tail. The species grows to 40-45 cm, lives in humid forest, is most active at dusk and at night and in the wild feeds almost only on snails. It gives birth to live young, often many in each litter, and adults are very docile.

Familie: Scincidae Vroegere naam: *Hemisphaeriodon gerrardii; Tiliqua gerrardii; Hinulia gerrardii*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**40-45 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**15-20 jaar**
Actief	**In de schemering en ’s nachts**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Regenwoud en gematigd bos en grasland**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**120 × 60 × 60 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**20-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**33-36 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**60-80%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Winterrust	**16-22 °C** 8-12 weken
Voeding	**Insecten, fruit, kant-en-klaar voer, gewervelde dieren en wormen/slakken**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Levendbarend**
Geslachtsrijp	**22-36 maanden**
Worpgrootte	**10-30 jongen**
Draagtijd	**90-120 dagen**

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

An adult animal needs an enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 60 cm (length × width × height). The species digs, but also climbs a little on sloping branches and cork bark, so a light climbing structure is a plus.

TEMPERATUUR

The air temperature must be 25-30 °C during the day, with a cool end of 20-25 °C. The surface of the basking spot must be 33-36 °C. Measure the surface temperature with an infrared thermometer and the air temperature at both ends.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

The species comes from humid forest, and a humidity of 60-80 % is suitable. The enclosure must be well ventilated. Keep the substrate slightly moist but never wet, and mist the enclosure lightly once a day.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

The animal is most active at dusk and at night and lives on the forest floor, but benefits from weak UVB.

VOEDING

In the wild *Cyclodomorphus gerrardii* lives almost exclusively on snails and slugs, and the large, flat teeth at the back of the mouth are used to crush snail shells. Snails are therefore the biggest challenge in husbandry.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Adults are among the calmest and most docile skinks. They move slowly and are easy to lift. Juveniles are shyer and empty their bowels when handled, so keep handling to a minimum until the animal is used to you.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

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