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## Amur Ratsnake

# *Elaphe schrenckii*

*Elaphe schrenckii* is a powerful, diurnal ratsnake from north-eastern Asia. Adults are black or dark brown with pale crossbands and yellow markings around the mouth, grow to 120-160 cm and readily climb. The species thrives at room temperature, is inquisitive and calm, and is easy to keep.

Familie: Colubridae  Vroegere naam: *Orthriophis schrenckii*

### KERNGEGEVENS

#### HET DIER

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| Volwassen grootte | **120-160 cm**<br>totale lengte incl. staart |
| Levensduur | **15-20 jaar** |
| Actief | **Overdag** |
| Levenswijze | **Boombewonend en bodembewonend** |
| Leefgebied | **Moerasgebied en gematigd bos en grasland** |
| Moeilijkheidsgraad | **Beginner** |

#### VERZORGING

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| Min. terrarium | **120 × 60 × 90 cm**<br>L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier |
| Temperatuur overdag | **22-26 °C** |
| Zonneplek | **27-28 °C** |
| Temperatuur ’s nachts | **20-22 °C** |
| Luchtvochtigheid | **40-60%** |
| Water | **Waterbak** |
| UVB | **Optioneel** |
| Winterrust | **8-12 °C**<br>8-13 weken |
| Voeding | **Gewervelde dieren** |
| Gehouden | **Solitair** |

#### KWEEK

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| Voortplanting | **Eierleggend** |
| Geslachtsrijp | **36-60 maanden** |
| Legselgrootte | **6-19 eieren** |
| Incubatie | **40-60 dagen**<br>bij 26-28 °C |

#### BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

## Verzorging in het kort

**HET TERRARIUM**
A single adult snake needs an enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 90 cm (length × width × height), and a pair at least 150 × 60 × 90 cm. Height is important because the species climbs a great deal and uses all the space it is given.

**TEMPERATUUR**
During the day the enclosure should be 22-26 °C, with a warm zone of 27-28 °C at one end so that the snake can digest its food, and 21-22 °C at the cool end. At night ordinary room temperature, around 20-22 °C, is suitable.

**LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER**
Humidity should be moderate, around 40-60%. The humidity of the room and a large water bowl are enough, and misting the whole enclosure every few days helps if shedding is a problem.

**VERLICHTING EN UVB**
The species is diurnal and likes to bask. A full-spectrum fluorescent tube benefits the snake, which often lies under it. UVB is optional, and no specific UV index has been documented.

**VOEDING**
*Elaphe schrenckii* is fed frozen and thawed rodents as its staple diet. In the wild it also eats birds, bird eggs and fish. Quail eggs and fish without thiaminase can be given for variety no more than once a month.

**GEDRAG EN OMGANG**
The species is inquisitive and calm and one of the most easily handled large ratsnakes. It is active all day, follows everything that happens outside the enclosure and would rather flee than bite.

**NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED**
Rusland, China, Zuid-Korea, Noord-Korea en Mongolië.