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## Beauty rat snake

# *Elaphe taeniura*

A large, slender and alert snake from South, South-East and East Asia that grows to 150-200 cm and is recognised by the black stripe behind each eye and the dark markings on a yellowish-brown to olive body. *Elaphe taeniura* is diurnal, likes to climb and needs a large, tall and escape-proof enclosure.

Familie: Colubridae  Vroegere naam: *Orthriophis taeniurus; Elaphe taeniurus*

KERNGEGEVENS

### HET DIER

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| Volwassen grootte | **150-200 cm**<br>totale lengte incl. staart |
| Levensduur | **15-25 jaar** |
| Actief | **Overdag** |
| Levenswijze | **Boombewonend en bodembewonend** |
| Leefgebied | **Regenwoud en rotsachtig terrein** |
| Moeilijkheidsgraad | **Gevorderd** |

### VERZORGING

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| Min. terrarium | **180 × 60 × 90 cm**<br>L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier |
| Temperatuur overdag | **24-28 °C** |
| Zonneplek | **30-31 °C** |
| Temperatuur 's nachts | **20-24 °C** |
| Luchtvochtigheid | **50-80%** |
| Water | **Waterbak** |
| UVB | **Optioneel** |
| Voeding | **Gewervelde dieren** |
| Gehouden | **Solitair** |

### KWEEK

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| Voortplanting | **Eierleggend** |
| Legselgrootte | **4-15 eieren** |
| Incubatie | **55-65 dagen**<br>bij 28-29 °C |

### BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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| CITES | **Niet opgenomen** |
| EU-bijlage | **Bijlage D** |
| IUCN | **Kwetsbaar (VU)** |

## Verzorging in het kort

**HET TERRARIUM**

The care of *Elaphe taeniura* is based mainly on *Elaphe taeniura friesei* from Taiwan, which is the subspecies most often kept. It probably applies to the other subspecies as well.

**TEMPERATUUR**

There must be a clear temperature gradient, so that the snake can choose for itself.

**LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER**

Humidity should be 50-80 %, and it should not fall below 50 %. During a shed it should be higher, about 80 %. A humid hide with damp sphagnum, misted daily, is essential for a clean shed.

**VERLICHTING EN UVB**

*Elaphe taeniura* is diurnal and needs a clear day and night. The light is on for 12 hours a day, controlled by a timer. Night lighting is not used. Special lighting is not necessary, but UVB can be offered to a diurnal species.

**VOEDING**

*Elaphe taeniura* eats whole, frozen and thawed rodents. Young get newborn or small mice, subadults larger mice and small rats, and adults small to medium-sized rats. Chicks and eggs can add variety. Live prey is not recommended.

**GEDRAG EN OMGANG**

*Elaphe taeniura* is alert, quick and shy. Captive-bred animals that are handled regularly from a young age usually become as calm to handle as *Pantherophis guttatus*. If they are not used to it, they become nervous.

**NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED**

China, Taiwan, India, Myanmar (Birma), Thailand, Laos, Cambodja, Vietnam, Maleisië, Indonesië en Japan.