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Western Hognose Snake

Heterodon nasicus

Heterodon nasicus is a small, stocky colubrid from the North American prairies with an upturned snout that it uses to dig in loose soil. When threatened, it puffs itself up, hisses and finally plays dead. It is active by day, calm and easy to keep, which makes it a good first choice among snakes. It is rear-fanged with a mild venom; bites are rare but can cause marked swelling.

Familie: Colubridae Vroegere naam: *Heterodon gloydi*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**35-90 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**80-400 g**
Levensduur	**15-20 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend en gravend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Beginner**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**90 × 45 × 40 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**23-27 °C**
Zonneplek	**31-35 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**16-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-60%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 2
Winterrust	**5-15 °C** 4-12 weken
Voeding	**Gewervelde dieren**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**24-36 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**2-23 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-2**
Incubatie	**51-64 dagen** bij 26-28 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	An adult needs an enclosure of at least 90 × 45 × 40 cm (length × width × height).
TEMPERATUUR	Provide a clear gradient. The warm end should have a basking spot of 31-35 °C, measured on the surface, while the air temperature is otherwise 23-27 °C.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The humidity should be around 30-60 %. The species comes from dry regions and does not need humid air, but air that is too dry and a dusty substrate lead to grime in the nostrils and stuck sloughs.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species is active by day and benefits from bright daylight. The light can be on for 12 hours a day all year round, or follow the seasons with 14-16 hours in spring and summer and 8-10 hours in autumn and winter.
VOEDING	In the wild, *H. nasicus* eats mainly toads and other amphibians, but also lizards, rodents, reptile eggs, birds' eggs and occasionally other snakes. In captivity, the staple food is frozen, thawed mice.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Heterodon nasicus* is calm and easy to handle. The threats are bluff, and the snake almost never bites in defence. Let it settle after a display, and do not disturb it while it is playing dead.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Verenigde Staten en Canada.