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SLANGEN

Eastern milksnake

Lampropeltis triangulum

Lampropeltis triangulum is a slender, secretive snake from eastern North America. The name long covered a whole group of brightly coloured snakes, and many of those sold under it now belong to other species. The snake is nocturnal, calm and easy to keep, but it feeds on rodents and must not be housed with other snakes.

Familie: Colubridae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**55-115 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**15-20 jaar**
Actief	**In de schemering en ’s nachts**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Gematigd bos en grasland**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Beginner**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**120 × 60 × 45 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**23-27 °C**
Zonneplek	**29-32 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**21-23 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**40-60%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Optioneel**
Winterrust	**11-13 °C** 10-12 weken
Voeding	**Gewervelde dieren**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**36-48 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**2-24 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1**
Incubatie	**58-65 dagen** bij 27-29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	An adult *Lampropeltis triangulum* needs an enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 45 cm. Small animals under 90 cm manage with 90 × 45 × 45 cm. Juveniles can start in a small box and be moved up as they grow.
TEMPERATUUR	*Lampropeltis triangulum* is nocturnal and warms itself mostly under stones and other objects that the sun has heated, but occasionally basks in the open.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	A relative humidity of 40-60 % is suitable. It may be higher at the cool end and at night and lower at the warm end. Measure in the middle of the enclosure with a digital hygrometer.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species is nocturnal and does not need strong light. UVB is not necessary, but may be beneficial.
VOEDING	Adult *Lampropeltis triangulum* are fed mice and young rats, and large individuals take small to medium-sized rats. Prey should be frozen and thawed and no more than 1.5 times as wide as the snake's widest point.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Lampropeltis triangulum* is usually calm and tolerates handling well, but some animals are nervous and bite. After arriving home the animal is given a week or two to settle in, and handling begins only when it feeds regularly.
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