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VARANEN

Short-tailed Pygmy Monitor

Varanus brevicauda

Varanus brevicauda is one of the smallest monitors in the world: a brownish, ground-dwelling and diurnal desert dweller from the interior of Australia that reaches only 20-25 cm in length and lives in burrows under spinifex grass. It is rarely kept or bred, and much of its care has to be borrowed from relatives, so the species is only for experienced keepers who are prepared to break new ground.

Familie: Varanidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**20-25 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**8-20 g**
Levensduur	**5-10 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend en gravend**
Leefgebied	**Woestijn en halfwoestijn**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**80 × 40 × 50 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**28-30 °C**
Zonneplek	**38-45 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-20 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-50%**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Insecten**
Gehouden	**Solitair**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Geslachtsrijp	**10-22 maanden**
Legselgrootte	**1-5 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-3**
Incubatie	**70-100 dagen** bij 29-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage II**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage B**
IUCN	**Niet bedreigd (LC)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	An adult needs an enclosure of at least 80 × 40 × 50 cm (length × width × height), and larger is better.
TEMPERATUUR	The species is diurnal and loves heat. The rest of the enclosure is kept at 28-30 °C by day, and the basking spot should reach 38-45 °C measured as surface temperature with an IR thermometer.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	*Varanus brevicauda* comes from dry regions and needs low humidity of 30-50 %. Keep the floor dry at the top, but let one deep corner be slightly moist, so the animal can retreat into moisture when it wants.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	*Varanus brevicauda* is diurnal and lives in open country with strong sunlight. The species basks and needs UVB corresponding to Ferguson zone 3, like other diurnal monitors that bask.
VOEDING	In the wild *Varanus brevicauda* eats insects, spiders, scorpions, centipedes and other invertebrates, and also takes small lizards such as skinks and geckos, reptile eggs and occasionally frogs and small snakes.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Varanus brevicauda* is small, but it has the temperament of a real monitor. It hisses, puffs out its throat and lunges if it feels threatened.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Australië.