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VARANEN

Yellow-spotted Monitor

Varanus panoptes

Varanus panoptes is a powerful, curious ground monitor from northern Australia and southern New Guinea, known for rising up on its hind legs and tail to scout. It is active, clever and greedy, digs deep burrows and grows up to 150 cm long. The species requires a home-built enclosure of several square metres, a deep substrate and an experienced keeper, and it is not an animal for handling.

Familie: Varanidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**90-150 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**3.000-10.000 g**
Levensduur	**15-20 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Bodembewonend en gravend**
Leefgebied	**Savanne en moerasgebied**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**240 × 120 × 150 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**24-38 °C**
Zonneplek	**46-57 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**20-25 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**70-80%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Insecten en gewervelde dieren**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**6-13 eieren**
Incubatie	**194-240 dagen** bij 26-30 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	Adults should not be kept in an ordinary enclosure. An adult male needs at least 240 × 120 × 150 cm (length × width × height), and a whole room is better.
TEMPERATUUR	A large temperature gradient is needed. The air in the terrarium is kept at about 24-38 °C, with cooler areas down at the bottom and warmer towards the basking spot.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The humidity must be moderate to high. In the middle of the terrarium it should be 70-80 %. This is best achieved by keeping the substrate moist a few centimetres down while the surface is relatively dry.
WATER EN WATERKWALITEIT	*Varanus panoptes* likes to bathe, and a large tub is part of the set-up. Use a container in which the whole animal can lie in the water, e.g. a cement mixing tub or a large plastic tub for large animals.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	Keep the light on for about 12 hours a day.
VOEDING	*Varanus panoptes* is an omnivorous predator with a high metabolism, and it quickly learns that the keeper means food.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Varanus panoptes* is active and curious and likes to hiss, but it is not an animal for handling. It rarely becomes calm from being picked up and should be regarded as an animal to look at.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Australië, Papoea-Nieuw-Guinea en Indonesië.