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VARANEN

Northern Pilbara Rock Monitor

Varanus pilbarensis

A small, reddish-brown rock monitor from the Pilbara in north-western Australia, with large, pale grey eye spots on the back and a long, distinctly banded tail. *Varanus pilbarensis* grows to 45-50 cm long and is shy and diurnal. It needs a very warm basking spot, rock structure to climb and hide in, and a cool period in winter.

Familie: Varanidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**45-50 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**12-20 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Rotsbewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en rotsachtig terrein**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**120 × 60 × 60 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**26-32 °C**
Zonneplek	**45-50 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-20 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**50-70%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 3
Winterrust	**18 °C** 8-9 weken
Voeding	**Insecten en gewervelde dieren**
Gehouden	**Solitair, in paren of in groepen**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**2-9 eieren**
Incubatie	**100-120 dagen** bij 29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	An adult pair needs an enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 60 cm (length × width × height), and larger is better. The species is active and roams around on the rock faces, so floor area is more important than height.
TEMPERATUUR	The species needs a large temperature gradient. On the basking spot under the lamp, stone or branches must have a surface temperature of 45-50 °C, measured with an IR thermometer.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The humidity should be 50-70 %. It is a species from dry rocky terrain, so the enclosure should not be wet, but a damp hide must always be available, so that the animal can shed without problems.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	The species is diurnal and spends a lot of time basking, so light and UVB are a cornerstone of care. Use fluorescent tubes or LEDs for ordinary daylight and a powerful spotlight over the basking spot for heat.
VOEDING	In the wild, *Varanus pilbarensis* eats insects, other invertebrates and small reptiles.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Varanus pilbarensis* is shy and fast and not an animal to be handled a great deal. It can bite if grabbed, but the jaws and claws are small, and the injuries are seldom serious. The claws can, however, scratch the skin.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Australië.