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VARANEN

Black-tailed Monitor

Varanus tristis

Varanus tristis is a small, fast, tree-climbing monitor from Australia's dry interior with a black head and tail and a fine reddish-brown net pattern on the back. It grows to 75 cm, is diurnal and needs a tall, warm and sunny enclosure. It is rare in captivity, and only a few reliable experiences with care and breeding exist.

Familie: Varanidae Vroegere naam: *Varanus punctatus; Varanus timorensis tristis; Odatria punctata*

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**50-75 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Gewicht	**150-330 g**
Levensduur	**8-12 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Halfwoestijn en savanne**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Ervaren**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**150 × 60 × 120 cm** L × B × H voor 1 volwassen dier
Temperatuur overdag	**26-32 °C**
Zonneplek	**42-50 °C**
Temperatuur ’s nachts	**18-22 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**30-50%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Onmisbaar** Fergusonzone 3
Voeding	**Insecten en gewervelde dieren**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**8-12 eieren**
Incubatie	**114-117 dagen** bij 29 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

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

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM	One adult needs an enclosure of at least 150 × 60 × 120 cm (length × width × height).
TEMPERATUUR	The temperatures for *Varanus tristis* are borrowed from related, dry-living Australian pygmy monitors and are a cautious starting point. Always measure the surface temperature at the basking spot with an IR thermometer.
LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER	The species comes from dry regions and should not have high humidity. Humidity should be 30-50 %.
VERLICHTING EN UVB	UVB is important for diurnal monitors that bask a lot.
VOEDING	In the wild the species is a predator of lizards, nestling birds and eggs and probably also takes insects. In captivity insects are the natural staple: crickets, grasshoppers, cockroaches and giant mealworm larvae.
GEDRAG EN OMGANG	*Varanus tristis* is a fast, nervous species, and wild-caught animals are often defensive and stressed. The animals bite if they are grabbed, and the claws are long and sharp and can cause deep tears.
NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED	Australië.

De volledige gids met kaart en updates: herpy.org/en/monitor-lizards/varanus-tristis