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AGAMÍDEOS

Ornate Crevice-dragon

Ctenophorus ornatus

Ctenophorus ornatus is a flat, rock-dwelling agamid from the granite outcrops of south-western Australia. The animal reaches up to about 29 cm, has a distinctly banded tail and basks on warm rocks, where it bobs its head. It shelters under granite flakes and in crevices. The species needs a dry enclosure with rockwork, strong heat and UVB, and little is known about the care of this particular species.

Família: Agamidae Nome anterior: *Amphibolurus ornatus; Grammatophora ornatus; Amphibolurus tibialis*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**29 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**1-11 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Rupícola**
Habitat	**Semideserto e terreno rochoso**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**100 × 50 × 50 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**25-30 °C**
Ponto quente	**35-40 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**20-40%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Essencial** Zona de Ferguson 3
Alimentação	**Insetos e plantas**
Mantido	**Em casal ou um macho com várias fêmeas**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**2-4 ovos**
Incubação	**55-80 dias** a 28-32 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice III**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo C**
IUCN	**Menos preocupante (LC)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO

Little is known about the care of *Ctenophorus ornatus*. The figures in this section and the following ones are borrowed from *Ctenophorus pictus* and other species in the genus and adapted to a species that lives on rocks.

TEMPERATURA

The species is a sun-loving rock dweller and needs a large temperature difference. The air in the cool end should be 25-30 °C by day, and the surface of the basking spot, a flat stone under a heat lamp, should be 35-40 °C.

UMIDADE E ÁGUA

The humidity should be low, 20-40 %; the figure is an estimate based on the habitat. Keep the enclosure dry and well ventilated, and let only a small part of the sand become damp at the laying site.

ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB

A diurnal rock species needs strong light and UVB. Ferguson zone 3 is a good starting point; the zone has not been established for the species.

ALIMENTAÇÃO

The species eats insects and other small arthropods; in the enclosure crickets and cockroaches are the staple, with mealworms and silkworms for variety. Feeder animals must not be larger than the width of the animal's head.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO

The animal is wary and fast and withdraws into a crevice at the slightest fright. Handling is not necessary and stresses the animal. The male marks his territory with head bobbing and push-ups and defends a rock.

ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL

Austrália.