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CAMALEÕES

Usambara Soft-horned Chameleon

Kinyongia tenuis

Kinyongia tenuis is a small, slender chameleon from the Usambara Mountains in Tanzania and the Shimba Hills in Kenya. It is brown and grey with a long tail and long legs and lives high up in damp, cool rainforest. The species lays eggs. It is rare in captivity, and its care is only sparsely described.

Família: Chamaeleonidae Nome anterior: *Bradypodion tenue; Kinyongia tenue; Chamaeleo tenuis*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**15 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**5-7 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 45 × 90 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**20-25 °C**
Ponto quente	**26-28 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**14-18 °C**
Umidade	**70-100%**
Água	**Sem recipiente de água**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 2
Alimentação	**Insetos**
Mantido	**Sozinho**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Maturidade sexual	**9-12 meses**
Tamanho da postura	**12-20 ovos**
Incubação	**240-330 dias** a 17-23 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo B**
IUCN	**Em perigo (EN)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	The species is rare in captivity, and its care is only sparsely described. This guide is based on the climate of its range and on the better-known species from the same area, *Kinyongia fischeri* and *Trioceros deremensis*.
TEMPERATURA	The daytime temperature should be 20-25 °C with a moderate basking spot of 26-28 °C, and at night the temperature should fall to 14-18 °C. Heat above 30 °C must be avoided. Keep the air moving so that it does not become stagnant.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity should be high, 70-100 %, and highest at night and in the morning. The animal drinks droplets and should not have a water dish.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is diurnal and needs a bright but not too warm enclosure. UVB is recommended, and Ferguson zone 2 is an estimate for a forest chameleon.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Kinyongia tenuis* eats insects. Crickets, cockroaches, silkworms and small locusts of a suitable size are good choices, as for the related species. Feeder insects should be captive-reared and gut-loaded.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	Chameleons are easily stressed by handling, and this probably applies to *Kinyongia tenuis* as well. Do not pick the animal up without reason.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Quênia e Tanzânia.