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## Common Blue-tongued Skink

# *Tiliqua scincoides*

A sturdy, heavily built skink from Australia and eastern Indonesia with a broad, bright blue tongue that it displays when it feels threatened. *Tiliqua scincoides* is diurnal, omnivorous and calm, reaches 45-60 cm in length and can live for about 20 years. It needs a large enclosure, UVB and a warm basking spot.

Família: Scincidae  Nome anterior: *Lacerta scincoides*

**DADOS PRINCIPAIS**

### O ANIMAL

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| Tamanho adulto | **45-60 cm**<br>comprimento total com a cauda |
| Peso | **400-600 g** |
| Longevidade | **15-20 anos** |
| Ativo | **De dia** |
| Estilo de vida | **Terrestre** |
| Habitat | **Savana e bosque e prado temperados** |
| Dificuldade | **Intermediário** |

### CUIDADOS

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| Terrário mín. | **180 × 60 × 60 cm**<br>C × L × A para 1 adulto |
| Temperatura, dia | **21-33 °C** |
| Ponto quente | **35-45 °C** |
| Temperatura, noite | **18-24 °C** |
| Umidade | **40-60%** |
| Água | **Recipiente de água** |
| UVB | **Recomendado**<br>Zona de Ferguson 3 |
| Alimentação | **Insetos, frutas, plantas e minhocas/caracóis** |
| Mantido | **Sozinho** |

### REPRODUÇÃO

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| Reprodução | **Vivíparo** |
| Maturidade sexual | **18-36 meses** |
| Tamanho da ninhada | **6-15 filhotes** |
| Posturas por ano | **1** |
| Gestação | **90-120 dias** |

### PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

## Resumo dos cuidados

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| **O TERRÁRIO** | An adult animal needs an enclosure of at least 180 × 60 × 60 cm (length × width × height), corresponding to just over 1 m² of floor area. Larger is better, for example 180 × 120 × 90 cm. |
| **TEMPERATURA** | The animal must be able to choose between 21-26 °C at the cool end and 28-33 °C at the warm end. The surface of the basking spot must be 35-45 °C. |
| **UMIDADE E ÁGUA** | The Australian subspecies need a humidity of 40-60 %, measured at the cool end. The Indonesian *T. s. chimaerea* needs 60-80 %. |
| **ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB** | The species is diurnal and needs both UVB and strong light. Use a T5 tube with UVB, and position it so that the UV index at the basking spot is about 3-4 (Ferguson zone 3). |
| **ALIMENTAÇÃO** | *Tiliqua scincoides* is omnivorous. The staple is a mixture of greens, animal protein and a little fruit. Juveniles under 12 months need 70-80 % protein, adults about 50-60 %. |
| **COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO** | *Tiliqua scincoides* is calm, and captive-bred animals often become very tame. Wild-caught animals are more easily stressed and more defensive. A skink is tamed by speaking calmly to it and letting it come to you at its own pace. |
| **ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL** | Austrália e Indonésia. |