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Zigzag velvet gecko

Amalosia rhombifer

Amalosia rhombifer is a small, nocturnal gecko from northern Australia with a pale, jagged zigzag pattern along the back. It lives in trees in open forest and savanna and hides under loose bark during the day. Little is known about its care, so the guide is based on the habitat and on related species.

Família: Diplodactylidae Nome anterior: *Oedura rhombifer*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**12-16 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**8-12 anos**
Ativo	**À noite**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Savana**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**45 × 30 × 45 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**24-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**30-33 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**40-60%**
UVB	**Opcional** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**2 ovos**
Posturas por ano	**3-5**
Incubação	**60-65 dias** a 27-29 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Não listado**
Anexo da UE	**Não listado**
IUCN	**Menos preocupante (LC)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	Little is known about the care of *Amalosia rhombifer*.
TEMPERATURA	By day the terrarium is kept at 24-28 °C, and under a heat source at one end it can be 30-33 °C, so the animal can choose for itself. At night the temperature may fall to 18-22 °C.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity should be moderate: 40-60 %. Mist one half of the enclosure lightly every second to third day, so bark and substrate dry out again within a day. In summer, in the rainy season, a little more misting can be done.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is nocturnal and does not require UVB, but a weak UVB tube for shade-dwelling animals (Ferguson zone 1) over one side of the enclosure gives a more reliable calcium metabolism and does no harm when there is plenty of shade.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The gecko eats insects and other small arthropods: crickets, grasshoppers, small cockroaches, moths and small mealworms. Prey should be smaller than the distance between the animal's eyes.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Amalosia rhombifer* is shy and fast and should not be handled more than necessary. It can drop its tail when it feels threatened, and the tail regrows in a different form. Never hold it by the tail.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Austrália.