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Central American banded gecko

Coleonyx mitratus

Coleonyx mitratus is a slender, nocturnal ground gecko from the forest floor of Central America, with movable eyelids, small claws and dark and light crossbands. It resembles a small version of *Eublepharis macularius*, reaches 10-18 cm and feeds on insects. It is calm and easy to keep, but dries out easily and needs a warm enclosure with a humid hide.

Família: Eublepharidae Nome anterior: *Brachydactylus mitratus; Eublepharis dovii*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**10-18 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**8-12 anos**
Ativo	**Ao crepúsculo e à noite**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre e escavador**
Habitat	**Floresta seca e floresta tropical**
Dificuldade	**Iniciante**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 30 × 30 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**24-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**30-32 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**40-60%**
UVB	**Opcional**
Alimentação	**Insetos**
Mantido	**Sozinho, em casal ou um macho com várias fêmeas**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1-2 ovos**
Incubação	**70-80 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	A single adult can be kept in an enclosure of at least 60 × 30 × 30 cm (length × width × height), and for a male with a couple of females or a small group, about 90 × 45 × 45 cm is a good size.
TEMPERATURA	Keep 24-28 °C in the enclosure during the day with a warm area of 30-32 °C, and let the temperature fall to 18-22 °C at night. The species prefers a body temperature of about 25 °C in the morning and 28 °C in the evening.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity is the most important point in care.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is nocturnal and does not need any special lighting. UVB is not necessary when the insects are dusted with calcium and vitamin D3, but a weak UVB light can be used.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The gecko feeds exclusively on insects. Mealworms of a suitable size are a good staple, also for other *Coleonyx*, and crickets and dubia roaches provide variety.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	The gecko is calm, but not an animal for daily handling. It tolerates a little handling and sheds the tail if grabbed, so never take hold of the tail.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicarágua e Costa Rica.