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Peters' spotted gecko

Geckolepis maculata

A small, nocturnal tree dweller from north-western Madagascar with disproportionately large scales that come away when it is held firmly, so the animal can slip away from an enemy. It is hardy in the enclosure but fragile to handle and is best suited to being looked at.

Família: Gekkonidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**8-13 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**7-10 anos**
Ativo	**À noite**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Floresta seca e floresta tropical**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**30 × 30 × 45 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**20-24 °C**
Ponto quente	**27-29 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**17-21 °C**
Umidade	**60-80%**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos e ração completa**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1-2 ovos**
Incubação	**60-90 dias** a 25-28 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO

As an absolute minimum, a single adult needs an enclosure of 30 × 30 × 45 cm (length × width × height), and bigger is better. Height matters more than floor area, because *Geckolepis maculata* lives up in the branches.

TEMPERATURA

By day it should be 20-24 °C in most of the enclosure, and a small warm area at the top may reach 27-29 °C. At night the temperature may fall to 17-21 °C. Heating at night is not necessary.

UMIDADE E ÁGUA

The species needs high humidity: 60-80 % on average. Mist the enclosure in the evening so that the leaves and furnishings are damp, and again in the morning if necessary. The animal drinks droplets from leaves and furnishings.

ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB

The species is nocturnal, and no need for UVB has been documented. Even so, a weak UVB light is recommended as a safeguard, because supplements of calcium and vitamins cannot entirely replace the light.

ALIMENTAÇÃO

The bulk of the diet is live insects: crickets, grasshoppers, dubia cockroaches and the like. The insects should be a little smaller than the animal's head and lightly dusted with calcium.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO

Geckolepis maculata is a shy, curious, nocturnal gecko that usually sits on branches or on the glass at night. It becomes fairly tame if it is allowed to get used to you, and willingly takes food from tweezers.

ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL

Madagascar.