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GECKOS

Box-patterned gecko

Lucasium steindachneri

Lucasium steindachneri is a small, ground-dwelling gecko from the interior of eastern Australia with a pale stripe down the back, broken by dark brown blotches. It is nocturnal, feeds on small arthropods and is easy to keep in a small, dry enclosure, but it is rare outside Australia.

Família: Diplodactylidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**4-6 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**5-8 anos**
Ativo	**À noite**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre**
Habitat	**Semideserto e savana**
Dificuldade	**Iniciante**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**40 × 30 × 25 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**22-26 °C**
Ponto quente	**28-30 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**16-20 °C**
Umidade	**30-50%**
UVB	**Opcional**
Alimentação	**Insetos**
Mantido	**Sozinho, em casal ou um macho com várias fêmeas**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Maturidade sexual	**12-18 meses**
Tamanho da postura	**1-2 ovos**
Incubação	**56-75 dias** a 27-30 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	*Lucasium steindachneri* needs the same care as the ground-dwelling Australian geckos of the genus *Diplodactylus*, to which it was formerly assigned, and as *Lucasium damaeum*.
TEMPERATURA	A heat mat or heat tape under one end, controlled by a thermostat, should give 28-30 °C on part of the floor in summer. The rest is kept at 22-26 °C during the day.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	*Lucasium steindachneri* does not need high humidity. Ordinary room air at 30-50 % is enough. Fill one of the hides with slightly damp sphagnum or damp sand, so that the animal can shed its skin.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	*Lucasium steindachneri* is nocturnal and does not need UVB or any special lighting, so UVB is optional. Let the daylight in the room set the daily rhythm, or use a timer of 10-12 hours in summer and shorter days in winter.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	In the wild, *Lucasium steindachneri* eats various arthropods such as insects, spiders and scorpions. In the enclosure it takes crickets, cockroaches, termites, flies, moths and waxworms.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Lucasium steindachneri* is quiet and withdrawn. By day it sleeps in its hide and becomes active as darkness falls. Handling is unnecessary and should be rare and brief; a startled animal may hiss and lunge.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Austrália.