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GECKOS

Mossy New Caledonian gecko

Mniarogekko chahoua

A large, moss-patterned and nocturnal climber from the humid lowland forests of New Caledonia, with a short, broad snout and a strong prehensile tail. It is one of the most beautiful of the large New Caledonian geckos, but demands more space and more patience than its famous relative *Correlophus ciliatus*.

Família: Diplodactylidae Nome anterior: *Rhacodactylus chahoua; Platydactylus chahoua*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**25-31 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Peso	**50-60 g**
Longevidade	**15-20 anos**
Ativo	**À noite**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 60 × 90 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**22-26 °C**
Ponto quente	**27-29 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**60-80%**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos, frutas e ração completa**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou um macho com várias fêmeas**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Maturidade sexual	**15-24 meses**
Tamanho da postura	**2 ovos**
Posturas por ano	**3-5**
Incubação	**60-120 dias** a 22-26 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Não listado**
Anexo da UE	**Não listado**
IUCN	**Vulnerável (VU)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	An adult needs a tall enclosure of at least 60 × 60 × 90 cm (length × width × height), and larger is better. Height matters more than floor area.
TEMPERATURA	By day the enclosure should be 22-26 °C, and a resting spot at the top under a weak heat bulb may reach 27-29 °C, preferably at the low end. At night 18-22 °C is suitable. Heat is the greatest danger.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Keep humidity at 60-80 %, measured in the middle of the enclosure, and let it be highest at night. Mist thoroughly with lukewarm water every evening and in the morning as needed.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is nocturnal and can survive without UVB when it gets vitamin D3 through the food, but it does best with a weak UVB light.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Mniarogekko chahoua* is omnivorous. The staple diet is prepared powdered diet for fruit-eating geckos, mixed with water into a thick paste and served on a ledge high up, supplemented with live insects.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Mniarogekko chahoua* is shy and jumpy as a juvenile and often becomes calmer with age. It has a strong bite and a firm grip. Give new animals two weeks of peace before you begin to handle them.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Nova Caledônia.