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GECKOS

Ornate day gecko

Phelsuma ornata

Phelsuma ornata is a small, fast day gecko from Mauritius and the surrounding islands, with a blue-green body, red dots on the back and a turquoise tail with red crossbands. It feeds on insects, nectar and soft fruit, does best in a tall, densely planted enclosure, and is more an animal to watch than to handle.

Família: Gekkonidae Nome anterior: *Phelsuma ornatum; Phelsuma vinsoni*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**10-13 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**10-12 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola e rupícola**
Habitat	**Floresta seca**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**30 × 30 × 45 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**26-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**31-33 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**20 °C**
Umidade	**50-90%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 2
Alimentação	**Insetos, frutas, néctar e ração completa**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Maturidade sexual	**6-12 meses**
Tamanho da postura	**1-2 ovos**
Incubação	**40-85 dias** a 26-29 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo B**
IUCN	**Menos preocupante (LC)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO
A single adult *Phelsuma ornata* can live in a tall enclosure of at least 30 × 30 × 45 cm (length × width × height), but bigger is always better, because the species is very active.

TEMPERATURA
For *Phelsuma ornata* the enclosure should be 26-28 °C during the day, and at night the temperature falls to about 20 °C. A small hot spot under a lamp should be 31-33 °C.

UMIDADE E ÁGUA
The humidity should fluctuate over the day. By day it is kept at about 50-60 %, and at night it rises to 80-90 %. Mist the enclosure thoroughly in the evening, and let it dry out to about 50 % before you mist again.

ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB
Phelsuma ornata is diurnal, and light is important for both colours and calcium metabolism.

ALIMENTAÇÃO
In the wild, *Phelsuma ornata* eats insects and other invertebrates as well as nectar, pollen and soft fruit. In captivity, a mixture of live insects and a ready-made food for fruit-eating geckos works as the staple diet.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO
Phelsuma ornata is fast and shy in captivity. In time it can get used to you and stay in view when you stand by the enclosure, but it should not be handled.

ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL
Maurício.