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Peacock day gecko

Phelsuma quadriocellata

Phelsuma quadriocellata is a small, light green day gecko from the east coast of Madagascar, with red markings on the back and dark, blue-edged spots on the sides. It is diurnal and lives high up in the branches, so it suits a large, densely planted enclosure, but not handling.

Família: Gekkonidae Nome anterior: *Pachydactylus quadriocellatus*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**10-13 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**8-15 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical e floresta de montanha**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**45 × 45 × 60 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**22-26 °C**
Ponto quente	**30-32 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**15-20 °C**
Umidade	**60-70%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 3
Alimentação	**Insetos, frutas, néctar e ração completa**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1-2 ovos**
Posturas por ano	**3-6**
Incubação	**42-53 dias** a 28-30 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO

An adult needs a tall enclosure of at least 45 × 45 × 60 cm (length × width × height). Height is important because *Phelsuma quadriocellata* lives up in the branches and uses all the space it is given.

TEMPERATURA

Phelsuma quadriocellata needs a clear temperature gradient. The basking spot at the top should be 30-32 °C and the cooler zone down in the enclosure about 22 °C. The rest of the air is kept at 22-26 °C.

UMIDADE E ÁGUA

The humidity should be 60-70 %. This is achieved with a moisture-retaining substrate, regular misting and possibly a small fogger or a waterfall. Mist once or twice a day, so the air is humid and the foliage dries between mistings.

ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB

The species is diurnal and needs strong light and UVB. A T5 tube with 6 % UVB, placed 30-40 cm above the highest basking spot, gives a UV index of about 3-4, corresponding to Ferguson zone 3.

ALIMENTAÇÃO

Phelsuma quadriocellata is omnivorous and in the wild eats insects, nectar and soft fruit.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO

Phelsuma quadriocellata is shy, quick and nervous, and is best kept as a display animal. It cannot be accustomed to handling. When it feels threatened, it can shed a piece of skin.

ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL

Madagascar.