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Morocco lizard-fingered gecko

Saurodactylus mauritanicus

Saurodactylus mauritanicus is a very small, ground-dwelling gecko from north-eastern Morocco and north-western Algeria. The body measures only about 3 cm from snout to vent, it is active during the day and at dusk, and the female lays one egg at a time. Almost nothing is known about keeping it, so the guide is based on the climate of its range.

Família: Sphaerodactylidae Nome anterior: *Gymnodactylus mauritanicus; Saurodactylus desertorum*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**3 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**5-10 anos**
Ativo	**De dia e ao crepúsculo**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre**
Habitat	**Semideserto e terreno rochoso**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**40 × 30 × 30 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**22-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**30-32 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**12-18 °C**
Umidade	**40-60%**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos e pequenos invertebrados (colêmbolos, drosófilas)**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1 ovos**
Incubação	**60-90 dias** a 24-28 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	Almost nothing is known about keeping *Saurodactylus mauritanicus*. The climate in its range is Mediterranean, with hot, dry summers and mild, damper winters, and the species is a very small, ground-dwelling gecko.
TEMPERATURA	By day the floor is kept at 22-28 °C with a small warm spot of 30-32 °C under a weak spotlight controlled by a thermostat. At night the temperature falls to 12-18 °C.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity should be 40-60 %. Mist the enclosure lightly every two to three days, so there are droplets on stones and leaves for the animal to drink, and let it dry out between mistings.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	*Saurodactylus mauritanicus* is active during the day and at dusk.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	In the wild the species lives on small arthropods. The feeder animals must be very small, no larger than the animal's head: springtails, fruit flies, newly hatched crickets and small woodlice.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	The species hunts as a sit-and-wait predator: it sits still and strikes when a small insect passes by. Behaviour in captivity is not documented. Keep the animal singly or a pair in a roomy enclosure with many hides.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Marrocos e Argélia.