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## Granite Spiny Lizard

# *Sceloporus orcutti*

*Sceloporus orcutti* is a stout, dark rock lizard from southern California and Baja California. The male has a blue throat and belly, yellow and blue-green scales on the back and a broad violet stripe along the back. The species is diurnal, wary and fast, basks on granite boulders, feeds on insects and lays eggs. It needs a dry enclosure with crevices in stone, UVB and a hot basking spot.

Família: Phrynosomatidae  Nome anterior: *Sceloporus digueti*

### DADOS PRINCIPAIS

#### O ANIMAL

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| Tamanho adulto | **18-28 cm**<br>comprimento total com a cauda |
| Longevidade | **5-8 anos** |
| Ativo | **De dia** |
| Estilo de vida | **Rupícola** |
| Habitat | **Semideserto e terreno rochoso** |
| Dificuldade | **Intermediário** |

#### CUIDADOS

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| Terrário mín. | **100 × 50 × 50 cm**<br>C × L × A para 1 adulto |
| Temperatura, dia | **27-30 °C** |
| Ponto quente | **38-42 °C** |
| Temperatura, noite | **16-22 °C** |
| Umidade | **30-50%** |
| Água | **Recipiente de água** |
| UVB | **Essencial**<br>Zona de Ferguson 3 |
| Repouso de inverno | **9-12 °C**<br>8-12 semanas |
| Alimentação | **Insetos** |
| Mantido | **Sozinho, em casal ou um macho com várias fêmeas** |

#### REPRODUÇÃO

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| Reprodução | **Ovíparo** |
| Tamanho da postura | **6-15 ovos** |
| Incubação | **60-80 dias**<br>a 27-30 °C |

#### PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

## Resumo dos cuidados

**O TERRÁRIO**

Little detailed knowledge exists about the care of *Sceloporus orcutti*, and the recommendations here are based on the species' habitat and on the genus.

**TEMPERATURA**

By day the air should be 27-30 °C, and the basking spot should be 38-42 °C at the surface, measured with an infrared thermometer. Place the heat over a flat stone: the species lies flat against the heated stone to warm up quickly.

**UMIDADE E ÁGUA**

The air should be dry to moderately humid: 30-50%. Ventilation must be good. Provide an easily accessible water dish, and change the water regularly.

**ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB**

*S. orcutti* is diurnal and heat-seeking and basks in bright light, so it needs strong lighting and UVB. Use a UVB tube in Ferguson zone 3 over the basking spot.

**ALIMENTAÇÃO**

*Sceloporus orcutti* eats small invertebrates, occasionally small lizards and a little fruit and flowers. In the enclosure it gets insects: crickets, small roaches, mealworms, superworm larvae, silkworms and the occasional waxworm.

**COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO**

*Sceloporus orcutti* is wary, fast and territorial. The male shows his blue throat and belly with push-ups, both to other males and to females.

**ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL**

Estados Unidos e México.