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SAPOS E RÃS

Brazilian Horned Frog

Ceratophrys aurita

Ceratophrys aurita is the largest species in the genus: a broad, burrowing ambush predator found only in the Atlantic rainforest of Brazil. The species is rare in the wild and little known in captivity, so its care is based on its closest relatives. It must live alone, eats almost anything that fits in its mouth, and bites hard.

Família: Ceratophryidae Nome anterior: *Ceratophrys dorsata; Ceratophrys varia*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**15-23 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**6-15 anos**
Ativo	**Ao crepúsculo e à noite**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre e escavador**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical e área úmida**
Toxinas na pele	**Nenhuma conhecida**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 45 × 30 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**24-28 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**22-24 °C**
Umidade	**65-80%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Opcional** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos, vertebrados e minhocas/caracóis**
Mantido	**Sozinho**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Desenvolvimento	**Girinos na água**
Local de postura	**Na água**
Ovos por postura	**900-2.000**
Eclosão	**2-4 dias** a 24-26 °C
Fase larval	**21-41 dias** da eclosão até a metamorfose
Alimentação das larvas	**Outros girinos**
Cuidado parental	**Nenhum**

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Não listado**
IUCN	**Menos preocupante (LC)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	Little is known about the care of *Ceratophrys aurita*.
TEMPERATURA	By day the enclosure is kept at 24-28 °C and at night at 22-24 °C. Use a heat mat on the side of the enclosure or a heating cable, never a lamp, which dries the air.
UMIDADE E NEBULIZAÇÃO	Humidity is kept at 65-80 %, at the humid end of what the genus's common species get, because the habitat is rainforest.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	Always provide fresh water in a shallow, heavy dish that the frog cannot tip over and that is large enough for the whole animal to lie in.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	UVB is not necessary for *Ceratophrys aurita*, but a weak UVB tube (Ferguson zone 1) can be an advantage when there is plenty of shade and the chance to burrow. Ordinary LED lighting for 12 hours gives a steady day-night rhythm.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Ceratophrys aurita* eats almost anything that moves and can fit in its mouth; in the wild also other frogs, lizards, snakes, birds and rodents.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	The species is calm and sedentary and can lie in the same spot for weeks. It lures prey by moving its feet in the soil so that they look like crawling worms.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Brasil.