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SAPOS E RÃS

Ornate Horned Frog

Ceratophrys ornata

Ceratophrys ornata is a stout, wide-mouthed frog from the Pampas of Argentina, Uruguay and southernmost Brazil, which lies buried and waits for something edible to pass by. Females grow up to 17 cm and can swallow prey almost as large as themselves. The species is robust and easy to keep, but demands respect for the mouth and a firm routine of cleaning and feeding.

Família: Ceratophryidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**8-17 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Peso	**187-482 g**
Longevidade	**6-15 anos**
Ativo	**Ao crepúsculo e à noite**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre e escavador**
Habitat	**Área úmida e bosque e prado temperados**
Toxinas na pele	**Nenhuma conhecida**
Dificuldade	**Iniciante**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**45 × 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
Repouso de inverno	**16-20 °C** 6-12 semanas
Alimentação	**Insetos, vertebrados e minhocas/caracóis**
Mantido	**Sozinho**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Desenvolvimento	**Girinos na água**
Local de postura	**Na água**
Maturidade sexual	**12-24 meses**
Ovos por postura	**1.000-2.000**
Eclosão	**2-4 dias** a 24-26 °C
Fase larval	**28-41 dias** da eclosão até a metamorfose
Alimentação das larvas	**Outros girinos**
Cuidado parental	**Nenhum**

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Não listado**
IUCN	**Vulnerável (VU)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	An adult needs a horizontal enclosure of at least 45 × 45 × 30 cm. The rule of thumb for the genus is a floor area of 8-10 times the animal's size, and a large female is welcome to more.
TEMPERATURA	During the day the enclosure is kept at 24-28 °C and at night at 22-24 °C. *C. ornata* eats best at the warm end and worse when it is cool. Over 30 °C or under 18 °C for a longer time can be fatal.
UMIDADE E NEBULIZAÇÃO	Humidity is kept at 65-80 % all year round and raised to about 90 % in the mating season. Mist lightly every day so that the substrate is moist but not wet.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	Always provide a shallow bowl of fresh, treated water, large enough for the whole frog to lie in, with the water reaching no higher than the frog's mouth.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	UVB is not necessary, but a weak UVB tube (Ferguson zone 1) can be beneficial, because the frog gets a little UV in the wild.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The species eats almost anything that fits into its mouth. In the wild, adult frogs eat mainly vertebrates such as mice, small birds, lizards and other frogs, but also large spiders and insects.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Ceratophrys ornata* is a sedentary frog that lies buried most of the time and only comes out to eat. It is not an animal to pick up. It can lunge at a hand that comes too close, and the bite hurts.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Argentina, Uruguai e Brasil.