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SAPOS E RÃS

Amani Forest Treefrog

Leptopelis vermiculatus

A large, big-eyed tree frog from the rainforest of eastern Tanzania that occurs in a green and a brown phase: green with fine black spots or brown with a dark triangle on the back. *Leptopelis vermiculatus* is nocturnal, reaches up to 9 cm and is rare in captivity. The species is threatened in the wild and needs a humid, tall terrarium with cool nights.

Família: Arthroleptidae Nome anterior: *Hylambates vermiculatus*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**3-9 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**4-8 anos**
Ativo	**Ao crepúsculo e à noite**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical e floresta de montanha**
Toxinas na pele	**Nenhuma conhecida**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**45 × 45 × 60 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**22-27 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-21 °C**
Umidade	**65-85%**
Água	**Recipiente de água** profundidade 3-5 cm
UVB	**Opcional** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Insetos**
Mantido	**Em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Desenvolvimento	**Girinos na água**
Local de postura	**No chão**
Ovos por postura	**50-200**
Fase larval	**60-120 dias** da eclosão até a metamorfose
Alimentação das larvas	**Algas/plantas e ração completa**
Cuidado parental	**Nenhum**

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Não listado**
IUCN	**Em perigo (EN)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	Little is known about the care of *Leptopelis vermiculatus*, and animals in the trade are often wild-caught.
TEMPERATURA	By day the temperature in the terrarium should be 22-27 °C, and at night it should fall to 18-21 °C. The night-time drop corresponds to a highland climate and is healthy.
UMIDADE E NEBULIZAÇÃO	Humidity should be 65-85%. Mist the terrarium with lukewarm, clean water once in the evening and preferably lightly again in the morning, so leaves and walls are wet and the air becomes humid.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	Give the animals a wide, shallow water dish with 3-5 cm of water, kept full at all times. The males call while sitting in water, so the dish must be large enough for a female and two males to sit there.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is most active at dusk and at night and lives in the shade under dense forest. It needs a fluorescent tube or an LED lamp with a colour temperature of 5,000-6,500 K that covers the whole terrarium, so the plants thrive.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The species takes all insects it can overpower and is a voracious hunter. The staple is medium to large crickets. Tropical cockroaches are a good supplement and are easily kept as feeder cultures of their own.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Leptopelis vermiculatus* is nocturnal and territorial. By day the animals sit still and hidden in plants, and at dusk and at night they hunt and call.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Tanzânia.