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SAPOS E RÃS

Madagascan Mantella

Mantella madagascariensis

Mantella madagascariensis is a small, diurnal frog from the rainforests of east-central Madagascar: black with red-orange, black-spotted hind legs, pale green spots at the forelegs and a sky-blue, horseshoe-shaped marking on the throat. It grows to only 21-25 mm, feeds on ants and other small arthropods and needs a cool, humid enclosure. The species is vulnerable in the wild, so preferably choose captive-bred animals.

Família: Mantellidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**21-25 mm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**4-8 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical e floresta de montanha**
Toxinas na pele na natureza	**Leves**
Toxinas na pele em cativeiro	**Nenhuma** Animais nascidos em cativeiro. Animais capturados na natureza podem manter as toxinas por muito tempo
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 30 × 30 cm** C × L × A para 4 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**20-23 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**16-18 °C**
Umidade	**70-100%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Opcional** Zona de Ferguson 1
Alimentação	**Pequenos invertebrados (colêmbolos, drosófilas)**
Mantido	**Em grupo**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Desenvolvimento	**Girinos na água**
Local de postura	**No chão**
Maturidade sexual	**12-18 meses**
Ovos por postura	**12-30**
Eclosão	**3-12 dias**
Fase larval	**56-112 dias** da eclosão até a metamorfose
Alimentação das larvas	**Algas/plantas e ração completa**
Cuidado parental	**Nenhum**

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
IUCN	**Vulnerável (VU)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	A low, flat enclosure of at least 60 × 30 × 30 cm (length × width × height) holds a group of four adults. The frog lives on the ground, so floor area is more important than height.
TEMPERATURA	*Mantella madagascariensis* thrives cool. During the day it should be 20-23 °C, and at night the temperature may fall to 16-18 °C.
UMIDADE E NEBULIZAÇÃO	Humidity should be high most of the time, 70-100 %, especially when it is warm. Mist the enclosure with dechlorinated water every day, heavily in warm weather and a little less when it is cold.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	Place a shallow water bowl in the enclosure, and keep it full at all times. The frogs are poor swimmers, so the bowl must be so shallow that they can easily get out, and it must not take up much of the floor.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	No UVB requirement is documented for the species, and the frogs manage without. A weak UVB light (Ferguson zone 1) can be used as an optional extra, provided there is shade and plants so the animals can choose.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The frog is an eager hunter and can eat relatively large prey for its size. In the wild it feeds mostly on ants and mites.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Mantella madagascariensis* is diurnal and can be seen patrolling its area and hunting for food for most of the day. The males call from the leaf litter to defend the area and attract females, and they may wrestle with one another.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Madagascar.