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SAPOS E RÃS

African Bullfrog

Pyxicephalus adspersus

Pyxicephalus adspersus is one of the largest frogs in the world: a heavy, olive-green burrowing frog from southern and eastern Africa, where the males can reach 25 cm and guard their tadpoles. It eats almost anything it can overpower, bites hard and can live 20-30 years in captivity. It suits the keeper who wants a large, striking animal and has respect for the mouth.

Família: Pyxicephalidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**9-25 cm** comprimento focinho-cloaca
Longevidade	**15-30 anos**
Ativo	**Ao crepúsculo e à noite**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre e escavador**
Habitat	**Semideserto, savana e área úmida**
Toxinas na pele	**Nenhuma conhecida**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**90 × 45 × 45 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**24-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**29-32 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**20-24 °C**
Umidade	**60-80%**
Água	**Área aquática**
UVB	**Recomendado** 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	**3.000-4.000**
Eclosão	**2-3 dias** a 24-27 °C
Fase larval	**14-35 dias** da eclosão até a metamorfose
Alimentação das larvas	**Algas/plantas, ração completa e outros girinos**
Cuidado parental	**Vigia os ovos**

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	An adult male needs an enclosure of at least 90 × 45 × 45 cm, while females and juveniles can make do with slightly less. Floor area matters more than height, because the species does not climb.
TEMPERATURA	During the day the enclosure should sit at 24-28 °C with a warm side of 29-32 °C, and at night it may drop to 20-24 °C. The cool side may be slightly above room temperature, so the animal can choose for itself.
UMIDADE E NEBULIZAÇÃO	Humidity is kept at 60-80%. It comes mostly from the damp substrate and the water section, and the whole enclosure can be misted with dechlorinated water as needed.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	The frog bathes and swims readily and must always have access to water. A permanent water section or a large, shallow tub where the whole animal can lie with water up to its chin and easily climb out again is the minimum.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is most active at dusk and at night and does not need strong light, but it must have a clear difference between day and night: 12-13 hours of light in summer and about 11 hours in winter.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Pyxicephalus adspersus* is a predator and eats almost anything that fits in its mouth: insects, worms, snails and, in the wild, also rodents, reptiles, birds and other frogs.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	The animal often lies buried with only its eyes and nostrils above the substrate, waiting for prey, but comes out at night to hunt and swim. It is not an animal for handling: stress is unhealthy, and the bite is hard.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Angola, Botsuana, Quênia, Malaui, Moçambique, Namíbia, África do Sul, Tanzânia, Uganda, Zâmbia e Zimbábue.

O guia completo com mapa e atualizações: herpy.org/en/frogs/pyxicephalus-adspersus