Yellow-margined Box Turtle

Cuora flavomarginata

Cuora flavomarginata is a medium-sized turtle with a hinged plastron, a strongly domed, dark brown carapace, a yellow dorsal stripe and yellow stripes behind the eyes. The shell reaches 14-19 cm, and the species comes from China, Taiwan and the Ryukyu Islands. It lives mostly on land in humid forest and needs a large, humid setup with a water tray, a basking spot, UVB and a cool season. The species is threatened in the wild.

Família: Geoemydidae Nome anterior: *Cistoclemmys flavomarginata; Cyclemys flavomarginata; Cuora evelynae*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**14-19 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Peso	**400-1.000 g**
Longevidade	**15-25 anos**
Ativo	**De dia e ao crepúsculo**
Estilo de vida	**Terrestre e semiaquático**
Habitat	**Área úmida e bosque e prado temperados**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**120 × 60 × 40 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**22-26 °C**
Ponto quente	**28-32 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**60-80%**
Água	**Área aquática** profundidade 5-10 cm
Temperatura da água	**20-25 °C**
UVB	**Essencial** Zona de Ferguson 2
Alimentação	**Insetos, frutas, ração completa, plantas e minhocas/caracóis**
Mantido	**Sozinho, em casal ou em grupo**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1-4 ovos**
Incubação	**60-100 dias** a 26-30 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo B**
IUCN	**Em perigo (EN)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	A pair of adult *Cuora flavomarginata* needs a terrarium or enclosure of at least 120 × 60 × 40 cm, so the animals have room to get out of each other's way. Each extra adult turtle requires 10-20 % more floor area.
TEMPERATURA	By day the terrarium must be 22-26 °C, and the basking spot must be 28-32 °C, measured with an infrared thermometer on the shell. At night the temperature can fall to 18-22 °C. Hatchlings are kept warmer, at about 29 °C.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity must be 60-80 %, and the substrate must be damp but not wet. *Cuora flavomarginata* comes from a humid climate, and hatchlings dry out quickly.
ÁGUA E QUALIDADE DA ÁGUA	The water tray must be large enough for an adult to wade in and lie down, but shallow enough that the animal can stand on the bottom with its head above water at all times.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	UVB light is necessary for an animal kept indoors. *Cuora flavomarginata* lives in forest and forest edge and gets sun for parts of the day. Zone 2 suits a species from forest and forest edge.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Cuora flavomarginata* is omnivorous. In the wild it eats snails, earthworms, molluscs, insects, berries and leaves. Adults prefer earthworms, snails and insect larvae and also take fruit and vegetables.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Cuora flavomarginata* is alert and shy. The animal withdraws quickly and closes its shell when startled, and immediately returns to hiding, even after many years in captivity.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	China, Taiwan e Japão.