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African Pancake Tortoise

Malacochersus tornieri

Malacochersus tornieri is a small East African tortoise with an unusually flat, thin and flexible shell. It lives on rocky hills in dry savanna and scrub, where it flees into narrow rock crevices instead of withdrawing into its shell. The shell is 15-18 cm long, the female lays only one egg at a time, and the species is critically endangered in the wild.

Família: Testudinidae Nome anterior: *Testudo tornieri; Testudo loveridgii*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**15-18 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**20-30 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Rupícola**
Habitat	**Semideserto, savana e terreno rochoso**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**100 × 60 × 40 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**24-28 °C**
Ponto quente	**32-35 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-22 °C**
Umidade	**30-50%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Essencial** Zona de Ferguson 2
Alimentação	**Plantas**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1 ovos**
Posturas por ano	**1-4**
Incubação	**120-185 dias** a 28-30 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice I**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo A**
IUCN	**Em perigo crítico (CR)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	Little detailed knowledge exists on the care of *Malacochersus tornieri*, and wild-caught animals are very difficult to acclimatise to captivity.
TEMPERATURA	By day the temperature should be 24-28 °C, and at night 18-22 °C.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	Humidity should be low, 30-50 %. The terrarium should be dry, but a small dish of clean drinking water must always be available. Change the water daily.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	*Malacochersus tornieri* is diurnal and is most active early and late in the day. UVB is necessary when the animal is kept indoors: Ferguson zone 2, corresponding to a UV index of 2.0-3.0 in part of the terrarium.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	The diet is dry and high in fibre. Offer dry grasses, hay and wild herbs such as dandelion, clover and vetch, and include succulents such as aloe and stonecrop.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Malacochersus tornieri* is shy, but active and persistent. It climbs, hides and comes out only when things are quiet. It does not withdraw into its shell, but runs towards the nearest crevice and squeezes in when disturbed.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Quênia, Tanzânia e Zâmbia.