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VARANOS

Bluetail monitor

Varanus doreanus

Varanus doreanus is a large, powerful rainforest monitor from New Guinea and the northernmost part of Australia, with a grey-blue body and a pale blue tail with black bands. Experience with its care and breeding is very limited, and several of the figures are borrowed from close relatives.

Família: Varanidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**100-135 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**10-15 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola e terrestre**
Habitat	**Floresta tropical**
Dificuldade	**Experiente**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**300 × 150 × 150 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**26-33 °C**
Ponto quente	**40-45 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**24-26 °C**
Umidade	**60-80%**
Água	**Área aquática**
Temperatura da água	**26-28 °C**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 3
Alimentação	**Insetos e vertebrados**
Mantido	**Sozinho**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**4-9 ovos**
Incubação	**164-166 dias** a 29 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo B**
IUCN	**Menos preocupante (LC)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	*Varanus doreanus* needs a large enclosure with a water pool in which it can swim and dive.
TEMPERATURA	By day the enclosure for *Varanus doreanus* should be 26-33 °C, with a basking spot of 40-45 °C. This is the surface temperature at the basking spot measured with an IR thermometer, not the air temperature.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	The species lives in rainforest with about 1,700 mm of rain a year on Cape York and more in parts of New Guinea. Keep the humidity at 60-80 %. Spray the enclosure daily, and keep the floor damp, but not wet.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is diurnal and uses basking spots, so UVB is recommended, and Ferguson zone 3 is suitable.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	In the wild *Varanus doreanus* eats reptiles, eggs (especially turtle eggs) and insects such as beetles, and probably also nestling birds. In the enclosure large insects, mice, fish and crabs are suitable.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	Adults are powerful and fast and can cause serious injuries. A bite from a monitor of a metre or more can go deep, the claws are sharp and can tear the skin, and the tail is used as a whip.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Indonésia, Papua-Nova Guiné e Austrália.