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VARANOS

Pygmy Mulga Monitor

Varanus gilleni

A small, slender and diurnal tree climber from the interior desert regions of Australia. *Varanus gilleni* grows to only 35-40 cm and is one of the least demanding monitors, but it needs a very hot basking spot, a tall enclosure and a fixed rhythm with a cool winter.

Família: Varanidae

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**35-40 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Peso	**60-80 g**
Longevidade	**8-20 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola e terrestre**
Habitat	**Deserto e semideserto**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**60 × 60 × 90 cm** C × L × A para 2 adultos
Temperatura, dia	**26-30 °C**
Ponto quente	**40-60 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**18-20 °C**
Umidade	**40-60%**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 3
Repouso de inverno	**18-22 °C** 6-10 semanas
Alimentação	**Insetos e vertebrados**
Mantido	**Sozinho, em casal ou um macho com várias fêmeas**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Tamanho da postura	**1-7 ovos**
Incubação	**84-131 dias** a 26-32 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

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

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO	For an adult pair the enclosure must be at least 60 × 60 × 90 cm (length × width × height), and larger is better. Height is important, because the species climbs.
TEMPERATURA	*Varanus gilleni* needs a very hot basking spot. The surface temperature of the branch under the heat source must be 40-60 °C, preferably 50-60 °C, measured with an IR thermometer.
UMIDADE E ÁGUA	The species comes from dry regions and does not need high humidity. Keep humidity at 40-60 %, with a dry enclosure as the starting point and a damper corner or deep substrate where the animal can retreat.
ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB	The species is diurnal and basks in high heat.
ALIMENTAÇÃO	*Varanus gilleni* eats mostly small arthropods: crickets, grasshoppers, cockroaches, mealworms, spiders and other insects. In the wild it also takes small lizards, especially geckos, and sometimes birds' eggs.
COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO	*Varanus gilleni* is among the calmest monitors. It is far less fast and quick-tempered than, for example, *V. acanthurus* and *V. tristis*. It seldom bites, and even animals that are a little skittish at first soon settle down.
ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL	Austrália.