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VARANOS

Freckled Monitor

Varanus orientalis

Varanus orientalis is a slender, fast dwarf monitor from north-eastern Australia that climbs trees and rocks and feeds on insects and small lizards. It grows to no more than 60-75 cm and is much smaller than the large monitors, but it still needs a tall, custom-built enclosure, plenty of heat and UVB light, and it lives for many years.

Família: Varanidae Nome anterior: *Varanus tristis orientalis*

DADOS PRINCIPAIS

O ANIMAL

Tamanho adulto	**40-75 cm** comprimento total com a cauda
Longevidade	**10-15 anos**
Ativo	**De dia**
Estilo de vida	**Arborícola e rupícola**
Habitat	**Savana e terreno rochoso**
Dificuldade	**Intermediário**

CUIDADOS

Terrário mín.	**150 × 75 × 120 cm** C × L × A para 1 adulto
Temperatura, dia	**26-32 °C**
Ponto quente	**50-60 °C**
Temperatura, noite	**20-24 °C**
Umidade	**30-50%**
Água	**Recipiente de água**
UVB	**Recomendado** Zona de Ferguson 3
Alimentação	**Insetos e vertebrados**
Mantido	**Sozinho ou em casal**

REPRODUÇÃO

Reprodução	**Ovíparo**
Maturidade sexual	**14-36 meses**
Tamanho da postura	**3-17 ovos**
Posturas por ano	**2-5**
Incubação	**93-137 dias** a 27-29 °C

PROTEÇÃO E DOCUMENTAÇÃO

CITES	**Apêndice II**
Anexo da UE	**Anexo B**
IUCN	**Não avaliado (NE)**

Resumo dos cuidados

O TERRÁRIO

For an adult *Varanus orientalis* you should plan on an enclosure of at least 150 × 75 × 120 cm (length × width × height), and larger is better.

TEMPERATURA

Varanus orientalis is a typical sun-loving animal and needs a large temperature gradient. By day the terrarium should be 26-32 °C, lowest at the cool end, and at night 20-24 °C.

UMIDADE E ÁGUA

The relative humidity should be 30-50 %, and the substrate should be dry to slightly damp on the surface. *Varanus orientalis* lives in dry to slightly humid areas and does not tolerate constantly wet conditions.

ILUMINAÇÃO E UVB

The species is diurnal and basks, so UVB is recommended. Use a powerful T5 HO UVB tube for sun-loving species (Ferguson zone 3), covering about half the length of the enclosure over the basking spot.

ALIMENTAÇÃO

In the wild *Varanus orientalis* feeds mostly on arthropods, lizards and eggs. The staple diet in captivity is well-fed live insects: crickets, grasshoppers, dubia roaches, silverfish, mealworms and silkworms in wide variety.

COMPORTAMENTO E MANUSEIO

Varanus orientalis is alert, fast and inquisitive and can become quite trusting. Captive-bred animals get used to people relatively quickly, whereas wild-caught animals flee or hide and can take a long time to settle in.

ÁREA DE OCORRÊNCIA NATURAL

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