

Crevice Spiny Lizard

Sceloporus poinsetti

Cites status

not protected

Habitat

Southwest USA to northwestern Zacatecas (Mexico)

dry and rocky areas, diurnal

Size

up to 30 cm

Life Expectancy

over 6 years

Reproduction

viviparous, gives birth to 6-17 living offspring

Temperature

air temperature should vary between 25-31°C, local heat spots up to 40°C. Night setback to 17-20°C.

Humidity

50-70%

Lighting

Daylight fluorescent tubes, if necessary UV tubes (see Fluorescent Lighting). For sufficient UV radiation we recommend UV Lamps or the Arcadia D3 Compact. Incandescent Lighting for the creation of local heat spots. Species needs a strong illumination. If necessary the use of HQI lamps or T5 fluorescent tubes is recommended.

Substrate

loamy earth with rock structures or Sand or grit. Also Reptile Cannabis Bedding.

Cage Furniture

hiding places, stones and roots also climbing facilities and a flat water bowl. Cage substrate should always be slightly wet in one spot.

food

Insects (e.g. crickets, house crickets, grasshoppers, cockroaches, super mealworms, wax moths, etc.) also products from the Zoo Med Can o' Series or vegetables (salad, herbs). Regular additions of minerals and vitamins are necessary.

Comments

Small groups can be tended well together in roomy terrariums (e.g. 1 male with 2-4 females)

