

Jamo Lizard

Ctenosaura palearis

Cites status

not protected

Habitat

Guatemala, Nicaragua

dry forests, diurnal tree dweller

Size

approx. 60 cm

Life Expectancy

over 15 years

Reproduction

lays up to 30 soft shelled eggs. Incubation period at 29°C between 80-100 days.

Temperature

air temperature between 25-28°C, local heat spots (e.g. on climbing branches) up to 45°C. Night setback to 20-25°C.

Humidity

approx. 60-70% (by day) and 80-90% (at night)

Lighting

Daylight fluorescent tubes, if necessary UV tubes (see Fluorescent Lighting). For sufficient UV radiation we recommend UV Lamps or UV Compact Lamps. 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

loose, absorptive substrate (see cage substrate).

Cage Furniture

Horizontally installed sturdy gnarled branches are a must in the terrarium. Moreover a large water bowl - possibly heated and large cork tubes or rather plates as a retreat facility.

food

Nutrition consists of leaves (e.g. dandelion, ribwort, clover, alfalfa, cress, various germ buds and sprouts etc.), carrots, paprika, zucchini or tomatoes (hackled or rasped), insects (crickets, house crickets, grasshoppers, cockroaches, super mealworms, wax moths, etc.). Also worth considering is iguana food and the Zoo Med Can o' Series. Regular additions of minerals and vitamins are necessary.

Comments

As a rule sexually mature males are irreconcilable among themselves.

