

## Green Spiny Lizard

Sceloporus malachiticus

### Cites status

not protected

### Habitat

Central America

tree dweller in pine and cloud forests. Dwells on the ground in higher reaches, diurnal

### Size

up to 20 cm

### Life Expectancy

over 10 years

### Reproduction

viviparous, 3-10 young animals

### Temperature

air temperature between 26-28°C, locally up to 40°C. Night setback to 20-23°C.

### Humidity

50-60%

### 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

Sand-earth mix, Terrarium Humus  
or 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, smaller grasshoppers, cockroaches, super mealworms, wax moths, etc.) also products from the Zoo Med Can o' Series. Regular additions of minerals and vitamins are necessary.

### Comments

Species likes to climb, therefore a higher terrarium is recommended! Small groups can be tended well together (e.g. 1 male with 2-4 females). Civilisation follower!

