



Chinese Cave Gecko

Goniurosaurus hainanensis

Care Sheet

Average Size

7.5 - 8.5 inches long

Average Lifespan

10+ years

Diet

Chinese Cave Geckos are strict insectivores. Offer a variety of live insects including crickets, mealworms, waxworms, and cockroach nymphs.

Feeding

Feed babies and adults daily, although some keepers will feed adults every other day. Dust food with calcium powder daily & a multivitamin once a week. Feed them the amount they will eat in 10 minutes. Worms can be left in the food bowl.

Housing

Habitat - Chinese Cave Geckos come from The Chinese Islands of Hainan and Cat Ba. The environment should be kept cool and humid. Provide hiding spots such as cork bark or commercially available hides to mimic the gecko's natural environment. Chinese Cave Geckos may be kept alone or in pairs. If housed together geckos should be of similar size to avoid injury. Never house two males together in the same tank. Two females generally get along well. A male and female will likely breed if housed together.

Size - An adult must have a minimum cage size of 20" Long x 10" Deep x 12" High, also known as a 10-gallon tank. A screen lid is recommended for safety.

Substrate - Due to humidity requirements an absorbent substrate is desired. Peat moss or coconut fiber are preferred.

Temperature - A Chinese Cave Gecko's enclosure temperature should be between 65-75°F.

Humidity - Mist their enclosures once to twice a day with a spray bottle. Substrate should be allowed to dry out some between mistings. The soil should not be bone dry or soaking wet. Humidity levels should be about 50%.

Watering - Provide a bowl of fresh drinking water at all times.

Lighting - Since this is a nocturnal species, it requires only one light bulb. This is the heat lamp which also emits UVA. There is no current proof that the animal requires UVB light, although some keepers prefer to provide UVB.

Plant and Fish bulbs are not UVB bulbs.



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