

# Frilled Dragon

*Chlamydosaurus Kingii*

## CARE SHEET



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**Average Size** 2 - 3 feet long

**Average Life Span** 8 – 10 years

**Diet** Frilled Dragons are insectivores. Offer a variety of live insects including crickets, mealworms, waxworms, superworms, and cockroaches. Some dragons will eat store bought food such as freeze dried crickets and worms. Since this food source doesn't move, not all geckos will acknowledge its presence.

**Feeding** Feed babies twice daily. At 2 months of age you can reduce to once daily. Adults should also eat daily. Dust food with calcium powder daily & a multivitamin once a week. Feed them the amount they will eat in 10 minutes.

**Housing** Frilled Dragons may be kept alone or in pairs. 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** - A baby must have a minimum cage size of 36" Long x 18" Deep x 16" High. Adult dragons require a space that is 48" Long x 36" Deep x 48" High.

**Substrate** - Acceptable substrates are dry coconut fiber, dry tropical substrates, ground walnut shell, sand, or cage carpet. The main concern with walnut shell and sand is the possibility of impaction. If the dragon consumes large amounts of the substrate, it could cause intestinal blockage. Dry tropical substrates are the preferred option at The Tye-Dyed Iguana.

**Habitat** - Frilled Dragon's are from the Northern Australia and New Guinea. The environment should be kept hot and semi-arid. Provide hiding places along with plenty of climbing surfaces.

**Temperature** - A Frilled Dragon's basking spot should be 95° F. The cool end of the tank can be as cool as 70° F.

**Watering** - Provide a bowl of fresh drinking water at all times. Mist the environment twice daily.

**Lighting** - Since this is a diurnal species, it requires two light bulbs. One is the heat lamp which also emits UVA. The second is a UVB lamp. The UVB lamp will specifically say UVB on the box. If the box doesn't say UVB, its not UVB.

**Plant and Fish bulbs are not UVB bulbs.**