



Millipedes
Diplopoda sp.

Care Sheet

Average Size

1.5 - 11 inches long

Average Lifespan

1 - 3+ years

Diet

Millipedes will eat on decomposing wood, leaves, and fruits and vegetables. Pieces of cuttlebone are also recommended to provide needed calcium.

Feeding

Millipedes are scavengers and prefer having food available at all times. Replace fruit and vegetables regularly to prevent fruit flies and mold growth.

Housing

Habitat - Few species are found in dry woodland or savannah type habitats, but most are found in tropical areas and need a moist substrate. Millipedes all live in dark, enclosed spaces and rarely venture out except for at night. Offer rotting logs, bark pieces and stones throughout the enclosure for hiding spaces.

Size - Millipedes can be kept in varying size enclosures from small plastic enclosures to larger glass enclosures depending on size of millipedes and number of millipedes in the enclosure.

Substrate - Millipedes like a moist, deep, soil substrate (peat, sphagnum, bark mulch) that will allow for them to burrow and properly molt.

Temperature - Temperatures between 60-78°F are perfect for Millipedes.

Humidity - Regular misting helps to keep humidity levels between 60-80%.

Watering - Some keepers will use a shallow water dish, although be careful of them potentially drowning.

Lighting - Millipedes do not need any specialized lighting. Lighting can be added for aesthetic purposes.



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