

Barking Gecko





OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: Underwoodisaurus milii
- Origin: Australia
- Ease of Care: Beginner
- Potential Adult Size: 4-5 Inches
- Life Span: 8-10 years
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- Handling: Intermediate
- Humidity: 40-50%







TOP TIPS

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HOUSING



√ To keep your Barking Gecko stimulated, vary their food

HabiStat Tall Terrainium 24x 15 x 12" (DVTE24T)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



- Housing: Terrainium Heating: Heat Mat
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Leopard Gecko Bedding, Arcadia EarthMix Arid
- · Water: HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish

ENVIRONMENT



Terrainium Setup



Heating

The HabiStat Leopard Gecko Starter Kit (HSLGSK) will provide all the light, heat, safety elements and the needed Terrainium, in one handy kit.

The Barking Gecko (*Underwoodisaurus milii*) is a nocturnal reptile and requires a suitable light and heat gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Provide a warmer/hot area towards one end of the enclosure using the provided heat mat to offer a heat gradient, all running in conjunction with the provided HabiStat Mat Stat (HTMW1).

Mat Stats are designed to regulate temperatures using a thermostat probe (also known as a sensor). Correct placement of the probe is critical to avoid overheating and injury to the animal.

Check temperatures and humidity regularly using a reliable thermometer and hygrometer to ensure that there are no extreme fluctuations.

- · Background Temp: 18°C 22°C (64-72°F)
- HOT Spot: 28°C 32°C (82-90°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 15°C 20°C (59-68°F)

Lighting

Fit the Arcadia Mini UVB Kit (RADBR8S) to the inside roof of the Terrainium using the supplied brackets.

Ensure that it is fitted correctly and within the manufacturers recommend distances.

Substrates and Decoration

Personal choice will dictate how you decorate your enclosure, but we recommend the following as examples:

- HabiStat Leopard Gecko Bedding (HSLGB5), Arcadia EarthMix Arid (RAREA5)
- HabiStat Cork Branch (HDB500), HabiStat Grapevine (HSGVS) and the HabiStat Log Hideout (HSNLHM) will offer shelter and enrichment within the enclosure

DIET & WATER



Ensure the Barking Gecko is offered a variety of insects.

Always provide a source of fresh water using the HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish (HRSSC).

To maintain and regulate humidity within the enclosure, mist as required.

SUPPLEMENTATION



Barking Geckos need additional supplementation in the form of a calcium and multi-vitamin powder such as Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100) and Arcadia Pro Calcium Mg (RAREPCM80).

Please follow the packaging instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- Barking Geckos can display a few defensive behaviours, from arching their back, to waving their tail.
- As their name suggests, they are known to produce a 'barking' sound when threatened.

HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Barking Gecko healthy and happy:

	Water	Substrate	Enclosure
Daily	Change old water for fresh water	Spot clean	Check vents on enclosure are not blocked and allow air to pass through freely
Weekly	Disinfect water bowl or dish	Agitate substrate to prevent any bacterial build-up and remove any dirty bedding	Wipe down glass and walls with a reptile safe disinfectant
Monthly		Take out old substrate and replace with new substrate	Wipe down inside the enclosure and disinfect décor with a reptile safe disinfectant

Always wash your hands, surfaces and equipment with warm water and disinfectant immediately before and after handling or feeding your Barking Gecko, their food, enclosure and any other equipment.

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