



Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula



OVERVIEW



- · Scientific Name: Lasiodora parahybana
- Origin: Brazil
- Ease of Care: Beginner
- · Potential Adult Size: Roughly 8 to 10 inches (leg span)
- Life Span: Up to 5 years for Males, up to 15 years for Females
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- · Diet: Insectivore
- · Handling: Intermediate (only if absolutely necessary)
- Humidity: 65-80%







TOP TIPS

 Provide Cork Bark/Tubes in their enclosure for natural hiding spots

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

- Housing: Terrarium
- · Heating: Heat Bulb
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- · Substrate: HabiStat Spider Bedding
- · Water: Water Bowl

HOUSING



The HabiStat Glass Terrarium (HGT4545) is perfect for one Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula.

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Terrarium Setup



Heating

Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula (Lasiodora parahybana) are an ectothermic (cold-blooded) animal and take all their heat requirements from external sources.

Heating a Vivarium

- · Background Temp: 24-26°C (75-80°F)
- · Hot Spot: N/A
- · Night-Time Temp: 24°C (75°F)

The HabiStat 50w heat bulb (HBB50) should be set up using a ceramic bulb holder such as the Arcadia Reflector Clamp Lamp with Ceramic Holder (RARTG75), which can be placed on the mesh roof of the Terrarium.

The 50w heat bulb should be used in conjunction with a HabiStat dimming thermostat (HTDB).

Dimming thermostats 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.

For overnight temperatures, use the HabiStat Heat-Mat Adhesive (HHMA11) on an outside wall of the terrarium, running in conjunction with a HabiStat Mat Stat (HTMW1) should the required temperatures drop below the recommended range.

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

Lighting

Place the Arcadia Pro T5 Kit (RARTP8S) on the mesh roof of the Terrarium. This will supply realistic UVB levels within the enclosure.

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

Substrates and Decoration

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

- HabiStat Spider Bedding (HSS10), or HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10), HabiStat Moss (HSM1) used within the mix
- HabiStat Cork Branch (HDB1), HabiStat Grapevine (HSGV) and HabiStat Cork Bark (HDCB5) will offer shelter and enrichment within the enclosure
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the animal to use as shelter

DIET & WATER



Ensure the Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula has a varied diet throughout its lifetime, with a mixture of insects.

Insects such as Crickets, Roaches, and Locust are some of their favourites.

Always provide a source of fresh water, such as the HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish (HRSSCM).

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

SUPPLEMENTATION



The Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula needs additional supplementation in the form of a calcium and multi-vitamin powder such as Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100) and Arcadia Earth Pro Calcium Mg (RAREPCM80). Follow the on-pack instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- While they are considered a docile Tarantula, handling is not recommended due to their urticating hairs
- This species likes to burrow therefore a burrowing substrate is essential

HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Salmon Pink Bird-Eating Tarantula 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 to allow any dirty bedding to be removed	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 your animal, their food, enclosure, and any other equipment.

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