

CARE SHEET

Chinese Cave Gecko



OVERVIEW



- · Scientific Name: Goniurosaurus hainanensis
- · Origin: China
- · Ease of Care: Intermediate
- Potential Adult Size: 6 to 8 inches
- Life Span: 10 years
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- · Handling: Intermediate
- Humidity: 60%-80%







TOP TIPS

- HOUSING

 Provide a humid hide as a natural way to aid the shedding process

- ✓ To keep your Gecko stimulated, vary their food
- Use a substrate that helps to maintain humidity

HabiStat Vivarium 36 x 24 x 24" (DVF3624)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



- Housing: Vivarium
- · Heating: Heat Bulb
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Jungle Bio, Arcadia EarthMix
- · Water: Water Bowl

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Vivarium Setup



Heating

to the animal.

The Chinese Cave Gecko (Goniurosaurus hainanensis) is a nocturnal reptile and requires a suitable light and heat gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Use an Arcadia Pro Ceramic Lamp Holder & Bracket (RADCHP) with the HabiStat Heat Bulb (HBB75) and the HabiStat Heater Guard (HHG24) protecting the bulb, all running in conjunction with a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat (HTDW). 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

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

• Background Temp: 20°C-23°C (68°F-73.4°F)

• Hot Spot: 26°C (79°F)

• Night-Time Temp: 15°C-20°C (59°F-68°F)

Lighting

Fit the Arcadia Pro T5 ShadeDweller UVB Kit, 7% (RARTP8S) to the mesh roof of the Terrarium. Ensure that it is fitted correctly and within the manufactures recommended distances.

Substrates and Decoration

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

- HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10), Arcadia EarthMix (RARE10)
- HabiStat Log Hideout (HSNLHL) filled with HabiStat Sphagnum Moss (HSMS250)
- HabiStat Cork Branch (HDB500), HabiStat Tea Tree Branch (HSNTB), HabiStat Grapevine (HSGV) 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 Chinese Cave Gecko is offered a variety of insects.

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

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

SUPPLEMENTATION



Chinese Cave Geckos need 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).

Please follow the packaging instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- The species can be a little skittish when young, but usually docile and easier to handle once older.
- A humid hide is essential for this species to aid with the shedding process. The HabiStat Log Hideout (HSNLHL) filled with HabiStat Sphagnum Moss (HSMS250) would be ideal

HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Chinese Cave 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 Chinese Cave Gecko, their food, enclosure and any other equipment.

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