



Northern Banded Knob-Tailed Gecko



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Nephurus cinctus*
- Origin: Australia
- Ease of Care: Beginner
- Potential Adult Size: 4-6 inches
- Life Span: 10 years
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- Handling: Intermediate
- Humidity: 30-40%

TOP TIPS

- ✓ Provide branches, grapevine, cork tubes and bark for enrichment within the enclosure
- ✓ To help with shedding, add a hide filled with damp moss

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



- Housing: Vivarium
- Heating: Heat Bulb
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Bearded Dragon Bedding, Habistat Desert Sand
- Water: HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish

HOUSING

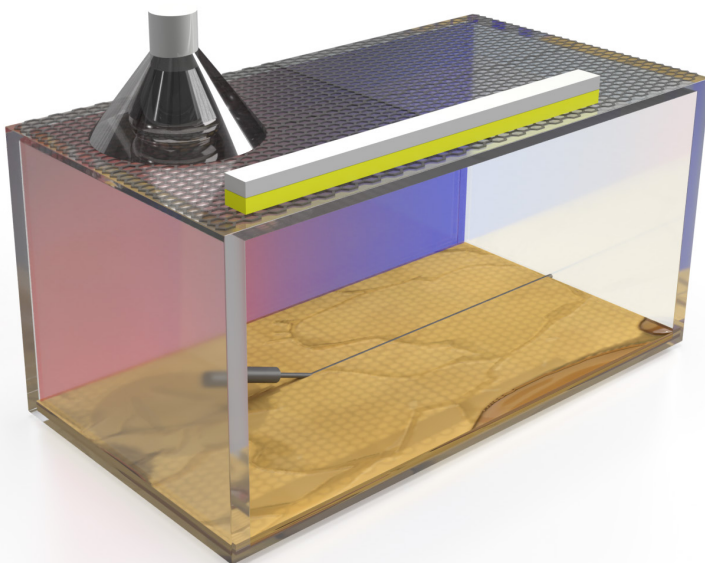


HabiStat Vivarium 36 x 18 x 18" (DVF36)

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Terrarium Setup



Heating

The Northern Banded Knob-Tailed Gecko (*Nephurus cinctus*) 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 Reflector Clamp Lamp with Ceramic Holder (RARM160) with the HabiStat Heat Bulb (HBB100) running in conjunction with a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat (HTDW) to provide overhead heat. This can be placed on the mesh roof of the Terrarium.

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.

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

- Background Temp: 21°C - 24°C (70-74°F)
- HOT Spot: 30°C - 32°C (87°F - 90°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 20°C - 21°C (68-70°F)

Lighting

Fit the Arcadia Pro T5 ShadeDweller Arboreal 7% (RARTP8S) on the inside roof of the Vivarium.

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 Bearded Dragon Bedding (HSBDB10)
- HabiStat Cork Branch (HDB1), HabiStat Grapevine (HSGV) and HabiStat Cork Bark (HDCB5)
- HabiStat Log Hideout (HSNLHM), with HabiStat Sphagnum Moss (HSM1) kept damp within
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the animal to use as shelter

DIET & WATER



Ensure the Northern Banded Knob-Tailed Gecko is offered a variety of insects.

Make sure to feed when they are most active, usually at night.

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

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

SUPPLEMENTATION



Northern Banded Knob-Tailed 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).

Follow the on-pack instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- HabiStat Bearded Dragon Bedding (HSBDB) is an ideal substrate for the Northern Banded Knob-Tailed Gecko, as they originate from the dry/arid climate of Australia.

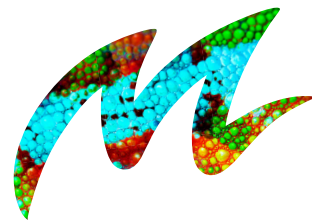
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Northern Banded Knob-Tailed 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 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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