

# Goniurosaurus

**Goniurosaurus** is a genus of geckos in the family Eublepharidae. The genus contains 27 species. Members species are known by various common names including **cave geckos**, **ground geckos**, **leopard geckos**, and **tiger geckos**. Members of this genus are found in China, Japan, and Vietnam. For this reason they are also known commonly as Asian geckos.

## Diet

Geckos of the genus *Goniurosaurus* mainly feed on small insects.

## Species

The following 27 species are recognized as being valid.<sup>[1][2]</sup>

They can be divided into four species groups.

### luui group:

- *Goniurosaurus araneus* Grismer et al., 1999 – Vietnamese leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus bawanglingensis* Grismer et al., 2002
- *Goniurosaurus catbaensis* Ziegler, Nguyen, Schmitz, Stenke & Rösler, 2008 – Cat Ba leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus chengzheng* Zhu, Li & He in Zhu et al., 2021 – Chengzheng cave gecko
- *Goniurosaurus gezhi* Zhu, He & Li, 2020<sup>[3]</sup>
- *Goniurosaurus huuliensis* Orlov et al., 2008
- *Goniurosaurus luui* Grismer et al., 1999
- *Goniurosaurus liboensis* Y. Wang et al., 2013
- *Goniurosaurus kadoorieorum* Yang & Chan, 2015 – Kadoories's cave gecko
- *Goniurosaurus kwangsiensis* Yang & Chan, 2015 – Guangxi cave gecko

### lichtenfelderi group:

- *Goniurosaurus hainanensis* Barbour, 1908

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Kuroiwa's ground gecko  
(*Goniurosaurus kuroiuae*)  
in Ōgimi, Kunigami, Okinawa, Japan

### Scientific classification

Kingdom:	<u>Animalia</u>
Phylum:	<u>Chordata</u>
Class:	<u>Reptilia</u>
Order:	<u>Squamata</u>
Suborder:	<u>Gekkota</u>
Family:	<u>Eublepharidae</u>
Genus:	<u><i>Goniurosaurus</i></u> <div>Barbour, 1908</div>

### Species

27 recognized species, see article.

- *Goniurosaurus kwanghua* Zhu & He, 2020
- *Goniurosaurus lichtenfelderi* (Mocquard, 1897) – Lichtenfelder's gecko
- *Goniurosaurus sinensis* Zhou, Peng, Hou & Yuan, 2019
- *Goniurosaurus zhoui* Zhou, N. Wang, Chen & Liang, 2018 – Zhou's leopard gecko

### ***kuroiwae* group:**

- *Goniurosaurus kuroiwae* (Namiye, 1912) – Kuroiwa's ground gecko
- *Goniurosaurus nebulozonatus* Kurita & Toda, 2024
- *Goniurosaurus orientalis* (Maki, 1931) – spotted ground gecko
- *Goniurosaurus sengokui* Honda & Ota, 2017 – Sengoku's gecko
- *Goniurosaurus splendens* (Nakamura & Uéno, 1959) – banded ground gecko
- *Goniurosaurus toyamai* Grismer et al., 1994 – Iheyajima leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus yamashinae* (Okada, 1936) – Yamashina's ground gecko

### ***yingdeensis* group:**

- *Goniurosaurus gollum* Qi et al., 2020 – Gollum leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus varius* Qi et al., 2020
- *Goniurosaurus wangshu* Zhu et al., 2022 – Wangshu's leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus yingdeensis* Y. Wang et al., 2010 – Yingde leopard gecko
- *Goniurosaurus zhelongi* Y. Wang et al., 2014 – Zhe-long's leopard gecko

*Nota bene:* In the above list, a binomial authority in parentheses indicates that the species was originally described in a genus other than *Goniurosaurus*.

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