



Golden Gecko

Gecko Auratus

Care Sheet

Caging Needed: 10-20 gallon terrarium with a secure lid. Golden geckos are arboreal, meaning they live in trees and love to climb, therefore they will need multiple hiding areas, thick branches for climbing, tall dense non-toxic plants for hiding, and a hiding area elevated off the floor.

Substrate: Use moisture retaining bedding such as sphagnum moss or forest bedding kept damp. Chlorine free water should be provided in a large shallow bowl that cannot be tipped over or a waterfall for drinking.

Temperatures & Humidity: Temperature should range from 75F- 86F with a 10 degree drop at night. We recommend radiant heat; use an incandescent light or ceramic heater as a primary heat source. Mist several times a day to maintain humidity above 70%

Lighting & UVB: provide 10-12 hrs of light daily. Incandescent bulb is needed for basking area if not using a ceramic heater

Diet: Crickets, mealworms, roaches, soft fruits and commercial crested gecko food. A meal replacement powder formulated for crested geckos mixed in a fruit puree is also readily accepted and more nutritionally sound than fruit alone.

Misc: Males should be housed separately. Females can live in pairs or groups of three. Handle with care, Golden Geckos can become stressed easily when picked up for long periods of time.

Average Size: 6 to 10 inches

Life Span: Up to 10+ years

