



Argentinian Horned Frog



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Ceratophrys cranwelli*
- Origin: South America
- Ease of Care: Beginner
- Potential Adult Size: 4-7 inches
- Life Span: 8 to 10 years
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- Diet: Insectivore/Carnivore
- Humidity: Day 60-70%; can reach 100% at night
- Handling: Not recommended; only if necessary

TOP TIPS

- ✓ Monitor temperature levels closely as these frogs do not like too much heat.
- ✓ Allow some open spaces in the Terrarium for the frog to move from area to area.
- ✓ Horned Frogs drink water through their skin, so providing a water bowl is essential; all water must be treated with a water conditioner.

HOUSING

A relevant sized Terrarium is the perfect forever home for a Horned Frog:

HabiStat Glass Terrarium 30x30x32cm (HGT3032)

HabiStat Glass Terrarium 45x45x45cm (HGT4545)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

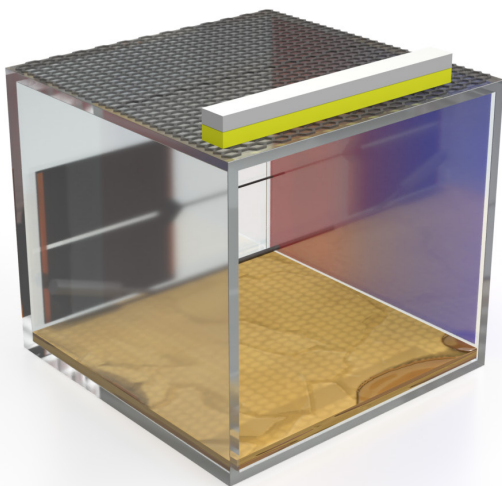


- Housing: Terrarium
- Heating: Heat-mat
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 Hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Coir (HSCB) & HabiStat Moss (HSMS250), HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10)
- Water: Water bowl

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Terrarium Setup



Heating

Provide a suitable background temperature with a constant warmer environment for the full 24-hour period. We recommend having any UVB running for only 10-12 hours daily to offer a realistic day/night cycle.

- Background Temp: 24-28°C (75-82°F)
- HOT Spot: Not needed
- Night-Time Temp: 20-26°C (68-79°F)

Use a HabiStat Heat Mat (HHMA11) attached to the outside rear wall of the Terrarium, running through a HabiStat Mat Stat (HTMW1).

Mat Stat 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 Horned Frog. Insert the probe through the lid of the Terrarium and secure directly adjacent to the heat mat, but on the inside of the Terrarium.

Lighting

A UV light should be used for the species' health and wellbeing, such as the Arcadia ShadeDweller (RARTP8S), which has been specifically designed for forest dwelling reptiles. Make sure the UV light is fitted correctly to the manufacturer's instructions.

Substrates and Decoration

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

Horned Frogs can be housed on HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10) with some HabiStat Sphagnum Moss (HSMS250) mixed into the substrate. HabiStat Coir (HSCB) and Arcadia EarthMix (RARE10) are also great options.

Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the Horned Frog to shelter.

DIET & WATER



Babies through to adults should be offered appropriately sized insects. Feed the Horned Frog during the evening/night when it is most active.

A suitably sized water bowl must be provided - it should be deep enough to allow the frog to sit in yet be able to get out safely without issues. Use either distilled water or water treated with a 'water conditioner' like Exo Terra Aquatize (DEA120); add a few drops to tap water and it removes any chlorine/chloride that could cause harm to your Horned Frog.

Misting the enclosure (with 'conditioner treated' water) will allow the frog to hydrate.

SUPPLEMENTATION



Horned Frogs need additional supplementation to their diet to help them to flourish and maintain healthy and productive lives. We recommend using a calcium and multi-vitamin powder such as Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100) and Arcadia Earth Pro Calcium Mg (RAREPCM80) as per the product instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Although Horned Frogs have lungs, they also hydrate and gain oxygen through their skin. You must provide a fresh water source in a suitably sized bowl that the Horned Frog can sit in; this also helps keep their skin moist.

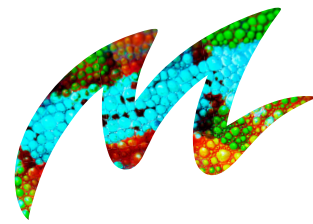
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Horned Frog 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 any live-food, enclosure, and any other equipment.



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