

CARE

Eastern Collared Lizard



OVERVIEW



- · Scientific Name: Crotaphytus collaris
- · Origin: North America
- · Ease of Care: Beginner
- Potential Adult Size: 10-12 Inches
- Life Span: Upwards of 10 years
- · Behaviour: Diurnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- · Handling: Intermediate
- Humidity: 40-50%







TOP TIPS

HOUSING



√ To keep your Eastern Collared Lizard stimulated, vary their food HabiStat Vivarium 48 x 24 x 24" (DVF4824)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



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

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Vivarium Setup



Heating

The HabiStat Bearded Dragon Accessory Kit (HSBDAK) provides all the light, heat, and safety elements for the enclosure in one handy kit.

The Eastern Collared Lizard (Crotaphytus collaris) is a diurnal reptile and requires a suitable light and heat gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Provide a warmer/hot area towards one end of the enclosure, using an overhead heat source to offer a heat gradient. Use an Arcadia Pro Ceramic Lamp Holder & Bracket (RADCHP) with the HabiStat Heat Bulb (HBB100) and the HabiStat Heater Guard (HHG24) protecting the bulb, all running in conjunction with a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat (HTDWHR).

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: 28°C 30°C (82-86°F)
- HOT Spot: 38°C (100°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 15°C 20°C (59-68°F)

Lighting

Fit the Arcadia Pro T5 12% (RARTP39R) on the inside roof of the Vivarium with the Arcadia Lamp Guard Pro (RALGP4) protecting the UV tube.

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 Tea
 Tree Branch (HSNTB), HabiStat Grapevine
 (HSGVS) and the HabiStat Log Hideout
 (HSNLHL) will offer shelter and enrichment
 within the enclosure

DIET & WATER



Ensure the Eastern Collared Lizard is offered a variety of insects.

Make sure you feed them when they are most active, usually during the day.

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



Eastern Collared Lizards need additional supplementation in the form of a calcium and multi-vitamin powder such as Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100) and Arcadia Pro Calcium Mg (RAREPCM80).

Please follow the packaging instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



- Eastern Collared Lizards can move very fast if startled or they feel threatened. Any handling should be done with caution.
- Eastern Collared Lizards love to dig, so a deep substrate is essential.

HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Eastern Collared Lizard 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 Eastern Collared Lizard, their food, enclosure and any other equipment.

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