

Eastern Tiger Salamander



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum*
- Origin: North America
- Ease of Care: Intermediate
- Potential Adult Size: 6-10 inches
- Life Span: 10 to 20 years
- Behaviour: Nocturnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- Handling: Advanced (only if necessary)
- Humidity: 70%

TOP TIPS

- ✓ Provide low-level logs, branches, cork tubes and bark for enrichment within the enclosure
- ✓ Add live plants, leaf litter and pockets of damp moss to help maintain humidity
- ✓ Make sure to add a deep level of substrate to allow the Eastern Tiger Salamander to dig and burrow naturally.
- ✓ The Eastern Tiger Salamander can be sensitive to chemicals (such as chlorine) within our tap water, so any water used should be treated with a suitable water conditioner such as Exo Terra Aquatize (DEA120).

HOUSING

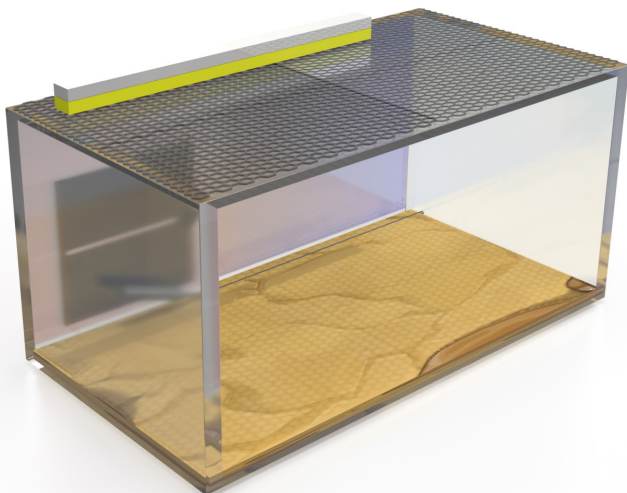
Individual - HabiStat Glass Terrarium 60 x 45x 45cm (HGT6045)
Two – HabiStat Glass Terrarium 91.4 x 45.7 x4 5.7cm (HGT9145)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

- Housing: Vivarium
- Heating: Not needed
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Coir, Arcadia EarthMix Arid
- Water: HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish

ENVIRONMENT

Terrestrial Vivarium Setup



Heating

The Eastern Tiger Salamander (*Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum*) is considered a nocturnal amphibian and requires a suitable light gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Usually, no additional heating is required, and room temperature is more than adequate.

If the ambient background temperature drops below the recommended range, add a HabiStat Heat Mat (HHM11) on the outside rear of the terrarium.

Use the Heat Mat in conjunction with a HabiStat Mat Stat (HTMB1).

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 animal.

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

- Background Temp: 18°C -25°C (64°F-77°F)
- HOT Spot: Not Needed
- Night-Time Temp: 18°C -25°C (64°F-77°F)

Lighting

Use the Arcadia Pro T5 ShadeDweller-Max 2.5% (RARTP14S) on top of the mesh.

Make sure the UV light is fitted correctly and that the animal is not able to get too close.

Substrates and Decoration

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

- HabiStat Coir (HSC10F), Arcadia EarthMix Arid (RAREA10), with areas using HabiStat Sphagnum Moss (HSM1)
- HabiStat Grapevine (HSGV) and HabiStat Cork Bark (HDCB5)
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the Eastern Tiger Salamander to use as shelter

DIET & WATER



Ensure the Eastern Tiger Salamander 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 (HRSSCL).

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

SUPPLEMENTATION



Eastern Tiger Salamander's 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



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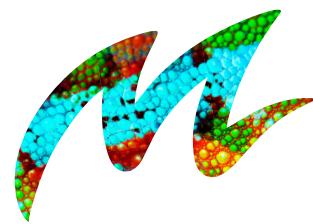
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Eastern Tiger Salamander 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		Agitate substrate to prevent any bacterial build-up and remove any dirty bedding	Wipe down glass walls with a cloth
Monthly		Take out old substrate and replace with new substrate	

Always wash your hands, surfaces and equipment with warm water and disinfectant immediately before and after handling or feeding your Eastern Tiger Salamander, their food, enclosure and any other equipment.



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