

Baron's Racer



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Philodryas baroni*
- Origin: South America
- Ease of Care: Intermediate
- Potential Adult Size: 4-6 feet
- Life Span: 10-20 years
- Behaviour: Diurnal
- Diet: Carnivore
- Handling: Intermediate

TOP TIPS

- ✓ The Baron's Racer Snake is mostly arboreal, so having branches to climb is essential.
- ✓ After feeding, let your snake digest its meal for 2 days before handling.
- ✓ Offer a smaller or larger food item if your snake refuses to feed.
- ✓ If your snake is refusing its food when it's about to shed, wait until the snake has fully shed before offering food again.
- ✓ A bad shed is normally a sign of something wrong in the snake's environment.

HOUSING

HabiStat Glass Terrarium 91.4 x 45.7 x 90cm (HGT9190)

HabiStat Standard Vivarium 36 x 18 x 36" (HV3636)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

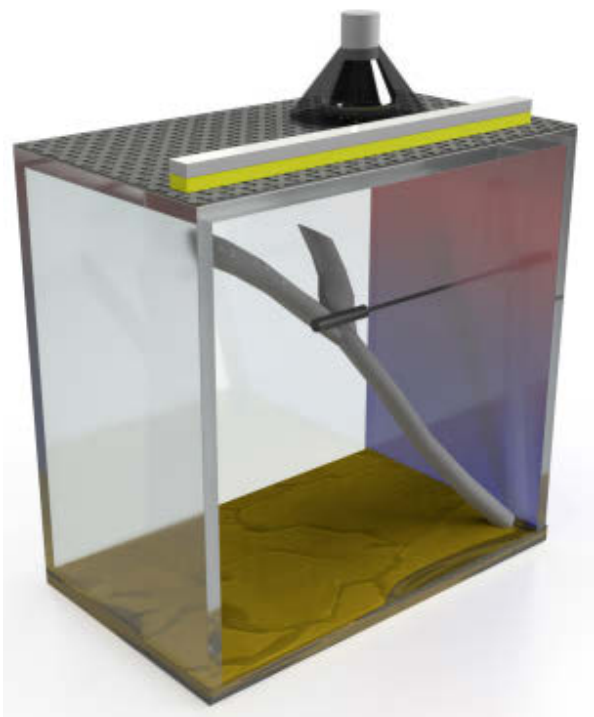


- Housing: Terrarium
- Heating: Heat Bulb
- Thermostat: Dimming Thermostat
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Jungle Bio
- Water: HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish

ENVIRONMENT



Arboreal Terrarium Setup



Enclosure Readings

- Background Temp: 20°C - 22°C (68-72°F)
- Hot Spot: 28°C - 30°C (82-86°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 15°C - 20°C (59-68°F)
- Humidity: 30%-60%
- UVI: 2-3

Heating

The Baron's Racer (*Philodryas baroni*) is a diurnal reptile and requires a suitable light and heat gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Use an Arcadia Pro Reflector Clamp Lamp with Ceramic Holder (RARM160) with the HabiStat Heat Bulb (HBB100) running in conjunction with a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat (HTDW) to provide overhead heat. This can be placed on the mesh roof of the Terrarium.

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

Lighting

Lay the Arcadia Pro T5 6% (RARTP39F) or alternatively the Arcadia LumenIZE Pro T5 UVB Kit 6% (RARLZ39F) on the mesh roof of the Terrarium. Ensure that it is fitted correctly and within the manufacturers recommended distances providing a UVI of 2-3.

Using an Arcadia Jungle Dawn LED Bar (RAJDP3) or Arcadia LumenIZE Jungle Dawn LED Bar (RARLJ3) will also add contribute to providing beneficial full spectrum lighting within the Terrarium.

DIET & WATER

Ensure the Snake has a varied diet, with a mixture of thawed Rodents and Poultry.

Hatchling - Every 5-7 days

Juvenile - Every 7-10 days

Adult - Every 14-21 days

In general, we would suggest a feeder that is approximately the size (in width) of the largest part of the snake. If the food is too big then it could cause regurgitation and stress to the snake.

Always provide a source of fresh water.

The HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish (HRSSCL) will provide a safe and sturdy option.

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

Substrates and Decoration

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

- HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10)
- HabiStat Cork Branch (HDB1), HabiStat Grapevine (HSGVS) and the HabiStat Tea Tree Branch (HSNTB) will offer enrichment within the enclosure
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the Baron's Racer to use as shelter

SUPPLEMENTATION

The Baron's Racer do not require additional supplementation if their diet is kept varied.

Although using Arcadia Shed Support (RAREPSS30) once a month on the chosen rodent can be beneficial in aiding their natural shedding process by supplying essential vitamins and minerals.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A Baron's Racer will shed its skin every so often, depending on how big the snake is and how quickly its growing. As a rule, a young snake will shed every 3 to 6 weeks, and an older snake every 2 to 6 months.
- The best way to tell that your Snake is about to shed their skin, is to look at their general colour and eyes.
- The Snake will appear duller than normal and may have a washed-out look. This will become more obvious as the Snake nears shedding its skin.
- The Snake's eyes will also appear clouded at first and will eventually turn a bluey/grey colour. Normal colouration will return once the Snake has shed its skin.

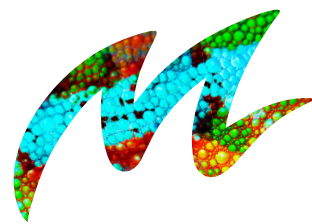
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Baron's Racer healthy and happy:

| | Water | Substrate | Enclosure |
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| 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 your animal, their food, enclosure, and any other equipment using HabiStat Anti Bac-Spray (HABS) for any surface, and HabiStat Hand Sanitiser (HABG) for hand hygiene.



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DATA MONITORING



Baron's Racer - *Philodryas baroni*

Complete this Sheet at the same time every day e.g. 12pm

| | Hotspot Temp 25°C-28°C (79°F-84°F) | Background Temp 20°C-25°C (77°F-82°F) | Humidity 70%-80% | UVI 1-2 | Night Time Temp 20°C-23°C (68°F-73°F) | Feeding |
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