

Bronze Sun Skink



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Eutropis macularia*
- Origin: Asia
- Ease of Care: Beginner
- Potential Adult Size: 6-10 inches
- Life Span: Upwards of 8 years
- Behaviour: Diurnal
- Diet: Insectivore
- Handling: Intermediate

TOP TIPS

- ✓ Provide logs and branches for enrichment within the enclosure
- ✓ Add live plants and pockets of damp moss to help maintain humidity

HOUSING

HabiStat Standard Vivarium 36x24x24" (HV3624)

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

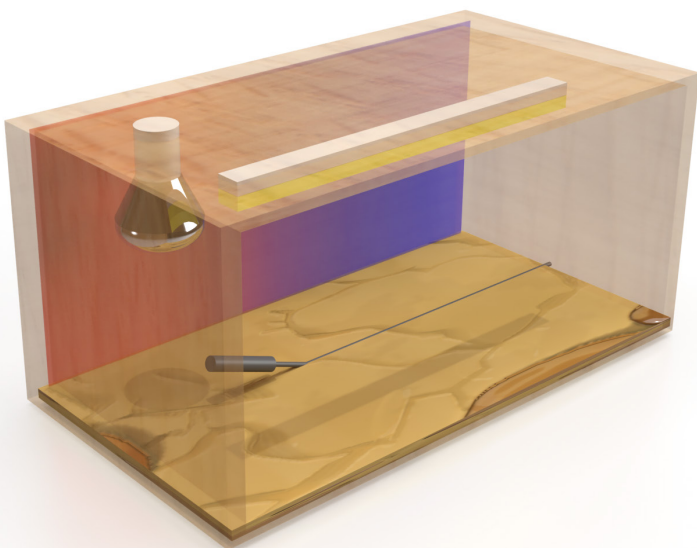


- Housing: Vivarium
- Heating: Heat-Bulb
- Thermostat: Dimming Thermostat (High Range)
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 Hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Jungle Bio (HSJB10), HabiStat Coir (HSCB), Arcadia EarthMix (RARE10)
- Water: HabiStat Sandstone Water Dish (HRSSCM)

ENVIRONMENT



Terrestrial Vivarium Setup



Enclosure Readings

- Background Temp: 26-29°C (80-85°F)
- Hot Spot: 32-35°C (90-95°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 18-21°C (65-70°F)
- Humidity:
- UVI:

Heating

Bronze Sun Skinks are ectothermic (cold-blooded) animals and take all their heat requirements from external sources.

Use a HabiStat 100w Basking Spotlamp (HBB100) in an Arcadia Pro Ceramic Lamp Holder & Bracket (RADCHP) and HabiStat Heater Guard (HHG24), running through a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat (HTDWHR) to provide overhead heat.

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

Lighting

Fit the Arcadia Pro T5 6% Kit (RARTP24F) or alternatively the Arcadia LumenIZE Pro T5 6% Kit (RARLZ24F) to the inside roof of the vivarium.

Ensure that it is fitted correctly and within the manufactures recommended distances, providing a UVI of 3-4.

Using an Arcadia Jungle Dawn LED Bar (RAJDP3) or Arcadia LumenIZE Jungle Dawn LED Bar (RARLJ3) will also contribute to providing beneficial full spectrum lighting within the enclosure for both the animal and plant life when used alongside the suggested UV light.

Substrates and Decoration

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

- Habistat Jungle Bio (HSJB10), Habistat Coir (HSCB), Arcadia EarthMix (RARE10).
- Habistat Cork Branch (HDB1), Habistat Grapevine (HSGV) and Habistat Tea Tree Branch (HSNTB) will offer shelter and enrichment within the enclosure.
- Habistat Forest Hideout (HSNFHL) with some Habistat Sphagnum Moss (HSM1) kept damp inside will offer the animal a damp retreat if it requires.
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the animal to use as shelter.

DIET & WATER

Ensure a Bronze Sun Skink has a varied diet, with a mixture of insects.

Young/Juvenile - Several appropriately sized feeders 2 to 3 times per week such as:

- Crickets – 3rd
- Locust – Small Hopper
- Calci Worms

Adult – Several appropriately sized feeders per week such as:

- Crickets – Large
- Locust – 3rd Hopper
- Dubia Roaches – Medium

Always provide a source of fresh water. The Habistat Sandstone Water Dish (HRSSCM) will provide a safe and sturdy option.

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

SUPPLEMENTATION

Following a supplementation regime that involves calcium and multivitamin powders such as Habistat Pure Calcium (HMC40), Habistat Reptavite (HMRV40), Habistat Repton (HMR40) and Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100) will be beneficial to the health and wellbeing of the animal.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A deep substrate will allow this Bronze Sun Skinks' to naturally dig and burrow due to it being a semi fossorial species.

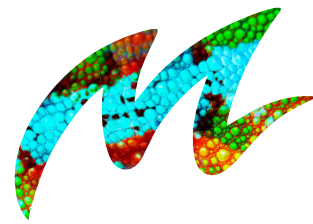
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Bronze Sun Skink 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 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



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

	Hotspot Temp 32°C-35°C (90°F-95°F)	Background Temp 26°C-29°C (80°F-85°F)	Humidity 60%-70%	UVI 3-4	Night Time Temp 18°C-21°C (65°F-70°F)	Feeding
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday						
Thursday						
Friday						
Saturday						
Sunday						