

Reeves Turtle



OVERVIEW



- Scientific Name: *Mauremys reevesii*
- Origin: East Asia
- Ease of Care: Intermediate
- Potential Adult Size: 6 to 9 inches
- Life Span: 10 to 15 years
- Behaviour: Diurnal
- Diet: Insects & Pellet Foods
- Handling: Not Recommended

TOP TIPS



- ✓ A Glass aquarium is best suited for this species
- ✓ Vary the food items you offer to your Reeves Turtle to keep it stimulated
- ✓ Using a water filtration system is essential

HOUSING



We recommend a suitably sized aquarium is used for your Reeves Turtle.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



- Housing: Aquarium
- Heating: Heat Bulb
- Thermostat: Dimming Thermostat
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: Sand, Rocks, Pebbles
- Water: Swimming area essential

ENVIRONMENT



Enclosure Readings

- Hot Spot: 29°C-35°C (85°F-95°F)
- Background Temp: 20°C-25°C (68°F-77°F)
- Night-Time Temp: 18°C-22°C (68°F-72°F)
- Water Temp: 21-26°C (70-80°F)
- Humidity: 70% to 90%
- UVI: 3

Heating

Reeves Turtles are a diurnal species and require a suitable light and heat gradient in the enclosure to simulate a complete 24-hour period.

Provide a warmer/hot area towards the one side of the enclosure, using an overhead heat source to offer a heat gradient. Use an Arcadia Reflector Clamp Lamp with Ceramic Holder (RARTG75) with a HabiStat Heat Bulb (HBB100)

running through a HabiStat Dimming Thermostat High Range (HTDBHR).

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 Turtle.

The water should be between 21-26°C (70-80°F) in temperature via the use of an aquarium heater if needed.

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

Lighting

Use the Arcadia Pro T5 UVB Kit ShadeDweller 7% (RARTP85), or alternatively the Arcadia LumenIZE Pro T5 UVB Kit ShadeDweller 7% (RARLZ8S) to provide a low-level UV exposure option on the surface of the aquarium should the Turtle feel it's needed.

A Mercury Vapour bulb such as the Arcadia 2nd Generation UV Basking Bulb (RSMA80E27) can also be used offering an all-in-one heat and UV-B exposure (Please note, this bulb can NOT be used via a thermostat, so extra caution must be adhered to).

Ensure that it is fitted correctly and within the manufactures recommended distances providing a UVI of 2-3.

Substrate and Decoration

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

- Turtle platforms/docks stick to the side of the glass and allow the turtle to bask.
- Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the turtle to use as a means of shelter.

DIET & WATER

Babies through to adults should be offered a varied diet throughout their lifetime, with a mixture of insects.

Insects such as Earthworms and Bloodworms are great options and Arcadia Earth Pro AmphibiGold (RAREPAG80) provides variety.

Their body of water that they swim in must be kept clean via a good filtration system

All tap-water used in the aquarium must be treated with a water conditioner to remove chlorines that could harm the turtle.

SUPPLEMENTATION

Following a supplementation regime that involves these calcium and multivitamin powders will be beneficial to the health and wellbeing of the animal.

- HabiStat Pure Calcium (HMC40)
- HabiStat Reptavite (HMRV40)
- HabiStat Repton (HMR40)
- Arcadia Earth Pro-A (RAREP100)

Please follow the on pack instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The body of water used must be kept clean via a good filtration system. This should be changed out every 6-8 weeks.

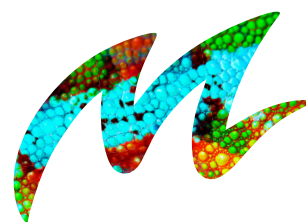
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your Reeves Turtle healthy and happy:

	Water	Substrate	Enclosure
Daily		Spot clean	Wipe down inside the aquarium, and any formed algae
Weekly			
Monthly	Check the aquarium filter and clean		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 animal, their food, enclosure and any other equipment using HabiStat Anti-Bac Spray (HABS) for any surface and HabiStat Hand Sanitiser (HABG) for hands.



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DATA MONITORING



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

	Hotspot Temp 29 C-35 C (85 F-95 F)	Background Temp 20 C-25 C (68 F-77 F)	Humidity 70%-90%	UVI 3	Night Time Temp 18°C-22°C (68°F-72°F)	Water Temp 21-26°C (70-80°F)	Feeding
Monday							
Tuesday							
Wednesday							
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