

CHINESE WATER DRAGON

Behavior: Chinese water dragons are found in rain forests typically close to water. They are arboreal meaning they like to climb, as they do get fairly big a large enclosure is necessary. Young ones can be handled with some experience, adults are very hard to handle. They can run on their back legs which make them extremely fast. They also have the ability to drop their tail.

Experience Level: Advanced.

Adult Size: 2 to 3 feet.

Life Expectancy: 15 years.

Ambient Temperature: 70F.

Basking Temperature: 100F.



Light: Repti-Glo 10.0 and a heat lamp or ceramic heater.

Humidity: 60-80%

Food: Mealworms, wax worms, pinky mice, feeder fish, greens (collards, kale), fruits (grape, apple, orange, pear).

Minimum Cage Size: 6 feet long x 2 feet wide x 4 feet tall.

Habitat: Provide lots of hiding areas and vegetation. Also provide a large enough water dish for them to soak in.

Substrate: Mulch, bark.

Maintenance: Change water and clean feces daily. A full cage cleaning should be done once a month.

Basic Requirements: Enclosure with secure lid, undertank heater, basking rock, large water bowl, hygrometer, thermometer, heat lamp or ceramic heater, vitamin/mineral supplements, full spectrum UV light, substrate, vegetation/hides, misting bottle.