

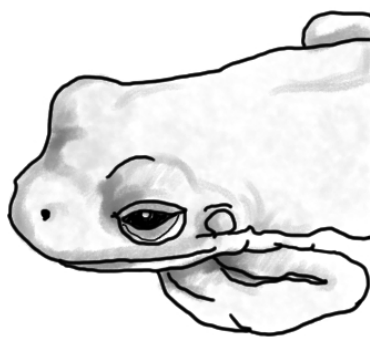
Green Tree Frog Care Sheet

CREATURE COMFORTS



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Congratulations on your new pet. Green tree frogs make a great introduction reptile. These frogs eat very easily and are simple to keep. Though they cannot be handled, they can be a part of a very beautiful display tank. These frogs can also be housed together and watching their activities can provide lots of interest and entertainment. Green tree frogs usually reach a length of 2 inches from nose to rump. However, sometimes in captivity these frogs can grow up to 3 inches. These frogs will usually live between 2 to 5 years in captivity with proper care.

HOUSING-----

Green tree frogs are arboreal and able to climb vertical surfaces with the small ridges and hairs on their feet. Because of this they are able to utilize much more of an enclosure than just the floor. These frogs can be housed in a simple 10 gallon tank or similarly sized for two frogs. However keeping multiple frogs in a large enclosure or "show tank" can make for an interesting hobby. A substrate of Eco Earth or similar substrate can be used as well as sphagnum moss to help keep the humidity up. Lots of hanging leaves to provide hiding during the day will make the frogs feel comfortable as well as vines and branches to provide more climbing areas. Humidity should be maintained between 50-70% in the enclosure for the frogs comfort. A waterfall feature is often great for humidity and display.

HEATING AND LIGHT-----

During the day green tree frogs should have an area of the enclosure that reaches the mid to high 80s. This can be achieved with a UVA bulb or even an infrared. During the night the temperatures can dip into the 70s. A night bulb might need to be added maintain comfortable temperatures for the frog. These frogs do not require a UVB bulb as they are nocturnal. A heating pad can be added or used instead if desired. Keep in mind that the use of heat bulbs will decrease humidity and misting may need to be increased.

DIET-----

Not being picky eaters green tree frogs will eat almost any insect you choose to offer them and benefit greatly from a varied diet. Young frogs can be fed daily or every other day all they will eat in about fifteen minutes. Adults should be fed all they can eat in about fifteen minutes two or three times a week. The crickets should be gut loaded and dusted with multi vitamin as well as calcium supplements at each feeding. Any uneaten crickets should be removed from the enclosure after the feeding period to prevent polluting the toad's environment. Wax worms can be fed as an occasional treat. These frogs will eat anything that they can fit in their mouths--including smaller frogs, an important thing to keep in mind while housing them together or with other frogs.

CLEANING-----

Every day remove and scrub out the water dish and refill with de-chlorinated water. Once a month, remove everything from the tank and wash with a weak bleach solution or Healthy Habitat, including the tank (but not the animals or live plants). Rinse everything thoroughly and allow it to dry & air out completely so that there is no trace of the bleach left, then set everything back up, use fresh moss that has been moistened. Remember to always wash your hands before and after handling reptiles.

HEALTH-----

Consult one of our pet specialists on how to keep your new pet healthy!

FERTILITY-----

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CHECKLIST-----

- _____ ten gallon aquarium with a screen top
- _____ moss for substrate
- _____ large shallow water dish
- _____ thermometer
- _____ UVB lighting
- _____ basking light
- _____ vitamin / mineral / calcium supplement
- _____ food to gut load crickets
- _____ Vines and synthetic foliage for hiding