

New Caledonia Gecko

CARE SHEET

New Caledonia geckos, such as Crested Geckos and Gargoyle Geckos are beautiful and relatively easy to care for, making them popular terrarium pets. Here's a basic care sheet to get you started:



Enclosure:

- Minimum size for adults: 18" L x 18" W x 24" H (larger is preferred)
- Young geckos (under 12g): Temporary enclosure around 3 gallons (8"x8"x12")
- Shape: Taller than wide, for climbing
- Ventilation: Well-ventilated enclosure with screen top

Habitat:

- Substrate: Commercially available reptile-safe soil such as Texas Herp Haus' proprietary blend is preferable
- Decor: Live plants, reptile-safe faux plants, and cork bark tubes provide the necessary hiding places
- Branches and vines provide the required climbing structures needed for temperature regulation
- Water Dish: Shallow dish with fresh water should be accessible at all times

Temperature:

- Overall temperature: 72-76°F (can be slightly cooler at night)
- Basking spot is NOT RECOMMENDED – overheating is the leading cause of death!
- Any heat source must be regulated by a proportional thermostat (Herpstat) to prevent heat related death

Humidity:

- Maintain humidity: 60-80%
- Misting: Daily misting or cool mist humidifier or reptile fogger

Lighting:

- Low-level UVB bulb recommended for vitamin D3 synthesis
- Only a non-heat emitting bulb should be used, such as an Arcadia Shade-Dweller Pro Arboreal bulb

Diet & Feeding:

- Offer insects, such as Dubia roaches or crickets (dusted with calcium powder) 1-2 times a week
- Feed a high-quality powdered gecko diet such as Lugarti Premium Gecko Diet every 2-3 days
- Fresh water (in a dish) in addition to misting the enclosure and gecko daily

Cleaning:

- Spot clean daily, unless completely bio-active (you have added isopods and springtails to assist with cleaning)
- Fully clean every 4-6 weeks, with reptile-safe disinfectant

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This is in no way meant to be a complete care guide, rather a helpful reference to get you started

