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Terrestrial Frogs / Horned / African

Brief Description:

Because of their predatory nature, all these frogs must be housed alone. Horned frogs (also known as "Pac-Man" frogs) are big eaters and like to Burrow or sit quietly, awaiting prey. African bullfrogs, although called "pixie," are giants of the frog world. They may bite, so use extreme care when feeding.



Average Size: The average size of a Terrestrial Frog is five-to-nine inches.

Average Life Span: The average life-span of a Terrestrial Frog is seven-to-fifteen years.

Feeding:

- Growing Terrestrial frogs have to fed daily.
- Adult Terrestrial frogs have to be fed once-to-twice a week.
- Obesity is a problem with large Terrestrial frogs, so regulate their diet, carefully.
- Feed a variety of insects such as crickets and mealworms and goldfish, once or twice weekly.
- Provide vitamin/mineral supplements, clean, fresh, filtered, chlorine-free water, changed daily.
- If feeding live rodents, do not leave them unattended with your frog.

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Housing:

- Juvenile Frogs will require a minimum of a ten-gallon tank.
- A full-grown African bullfrog will require a twenty gallon tank.
- Most large Terrestrial Frogs should be housed separately.
- Do not house different amphibian species together.



Maintenance:

- Spot-clean your pet's enclosure as necessary.
- Remove feces, urates and uneaten prey items as soon as possible.
- Clean and disinfect bowls on a weekly basis.
- Once every thirty days, remove all substrate, cage furniture and completely disinfect.

 o Rinse and allow all items and enclosure to dry before returning your pet.

Humidity:

- Maintain humidity with a glass over top of the cage or use a screen lid.

Water and Accessories:

- Provide a constant supply of clean, fresh, filtered, chlorine-free drinking water.
- Use a shallow bowl that cannot be tipped over and is large enough for the frog to soak in.
- Replace water on a daily basis.

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Notes and Comments:

Terrestrial frogs are sedentary, aggressive, gluttonous and cannibalistic when given the chance, awake during the day, can overpower and swallow prey almost their own size. The African bullfrog will bury itself up to its neck in leaf litter, and wait to lunge at its prey, in natural settings, bullfrogs will hibernate until the rainy season, unlike other frogs, males are larger than females.