Crested Anole



Basic Information

Lifespan: 10 years

Temperament: Docile (Easy to Handle)

Adult Size: 8 inches in length (Medium)

Experience Level: Intermediate

Why Garrido's Crested Anole?

Also known as Cuban False Chameleons, these friendly anoles are loved for their chameleon like features and their laid back demeanor. They are able to change colors and move their eyes in different directions! They are incredible animals whose prehistoric looks, impressive intelligence, and goofy personality make them one of the coolest reptiles ever!

Here are the basics to keeping your anole happy and healthy!

Housing

One or two anoles can live in an 18 x 24 vertical enclosure. While males should never be kept together, a pair or multiple females can live happily year round. Cover the floor of the enclosure with sphagnum moss, which helps to hold humidity. Crested Anoles are arboreal, so provide your lizard decorative plants, branches, and vines to climb on.

Anoles should be given a temperature gradients of 70 to 80 F so they can thermoregulate. They require UVB. For humidity, lightly mist the enclosure with a spray bottle daily.

Feeding

Anoles are insectivores and appreciate a variety of food. Snails, dubia roaches, superworms, mealworms, and hornorms are all favorites. It is important to keep your anole interested in its food, offering it different types of insects. Feed at least three times a week, preferably every other day.

Handling

Anoles are generally docile and tame. Though fond of jumping, they will tolerate being held in steady, gentle hands. Young anoles can be skittish, but they rarely ever bite. Anoles are often shy with strangers.

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