# **Crested Geckos**

# The perfect pet!



#### **Basic Information**

Lifespan: 10-15 years

**Temperament:** Docile (Easy to Handle) **Adult Size:** 4 inches in length (Small)

**Experience Level:** Beginner

## **Why Crested Geckos?**

Crested Geckos, one of the most popular reptile pets, are loved for their small size and easy going personality. With a large variety of colors and patterns, each gecko is beautiful and unique! Their simple care and adorable faces make them difficult not to love.

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

#### Housing

Crested Geckos are solitary reptiles, and should be kept by themselves in a 20 gallon, screen lidded enclosure as an adult. Cover the floor of the enclosure with paper towel, which is safe for the gecko and easily removed and replaced for cleaning. Crested Geckos are arboreal, so provide your gecko decorative plants, branches, and vines to climb on, as well as a hiding spot or two, like a cave or tunnel.

Geckos thrive in room temperature (74-80 F) and require no heat lamps or UVB. They do, however, like humidity, so lightly mist the enclosure with a spray bottle daily.

#### **Feeding**

Crested Geckos can ONLY be fed Pangea or Repashy Crested Gecko Diets. These are complete diets that geckos can live off their entire lives. Pellet food and insects should only be used as occasional treats, if used at all. Feed at least three times a week.

## Handling

Crested Geckos are generally docile and tame. Though fond of jumping, they will tolerate being held in steady, gentle hands. Small geckos can be skittish, but with time and age they will become accustomed to handling. Remember that they can drop their tails, so do not grab or hold them by the tail. Also, make sure to wash your hands after handling your gecko.

# **Queen City Cresteds**