



Long Nose Horned Frog Care Sheet

Species name:

Megophrys Nasuta

Adult size:

8-12cm

Lifespan:

5 Years

Breeding age:

9-18 Months



The long-nosed horned frog (*Megophrys nasuta*), also known as the Malayan horned frog, is a remarkable amphibian native to Southeast Asia's tropical rainforests. Its distinctive feature is a pointed snout and horn-like projections above its eyes, which help it blend seamlessly into leaf litter. This master of camouflage uses its appearance to avoid predators and ambush prey like insects and small invertebrates. These frogs have a robust, angular body and a large mouth, enabling them to consume relatively large prey. Their unique appearance and stealthy hunting tactics make them fascinating creatures on the forest floor.

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Housing:

Enclosure: These frogs are a terrestrial species; they will benefit from a glass enclosure which is longer than it is tall, 45x45x45cm is suitable.

Substrate: Use a substrate that retains moisture well, such as coconut coir or orchid bark.

Temperature:

Maintain a temperature gradient of 22-24°C within the enclosure. Provide a heat source, such as a heating pad or ceramic heat emitter on one side, to achieve a warm side.

The night time temperature should be around 20°C.

Lighting:

These frogs do not require UVB lighting to survive, however, studies indicate that a zone 1 UV light for 10-12 hours a day can have health benefits.

Feeding:

Diet: Long Nose Horned Frogs have a big appetite, in captivity they will eat insects like locusts, crickets, morio, and earthworms, additionally they can eat small mice as a treat.

Feeding Schedule: Feed every day and dust insects with a multivitamin supplement at least twice a week.



Hydration:

Water Bowl: Provide a water dish for the frog to bathe in. Mist the enclosure daily to maintain humidity levels around 80-90% and provide water droplets for the frogs to lick.

Handling and Enrichment:

Handling: It is best your frog are not handled unless it is necessary.

Enrichment: Provide rocks and branches. Artificial plants and hiding spots as well as leaf litter will mimic this frogs natural environment.

Health Care:

Health Checks: Regularly observe your Frogs to see if you notice any changes in behaviour, appetite, or appearance. If something does not seem right seek professional advice promptly.

Hygiene: Keep the enclosure clean, removing waste and uneaten food promptly.

Quarantine: Quarantine new Frogs before introducing them to existing ones to prevent the spread of disease.

Long Nose Horned Frogs make fascinating pets when provided with the right care. Always do thorough research and consult with a veterinarian for specific advice based on your animals' individual needs.