

★ BEARDED DRAGON ★ SUPPLIES CHECKLIST

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ITEM	PLU#	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Cage (min. 36" x 18")			
Cage Top			
Water Bowl			
Food Bowl			
Food			
Thermometer (x2)			
UVB Fixture			
UVB Light			
Heat Fixture			
Heat Light/Emitter			
Hygrometer			
Bedding/Substrate			
Vitamins/Calcium			
Hiding Place			
<u>SUGGESTIONS:</u>			
Bearded Dragon			
Climbing Branches			
Misting Bottle			

KREWE MEMBER: _____

This estimate is valid for 14 days from this date: ____ / ____ / ____

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BEARDED DRAGON

Pogona vitticeps



EXPERIENCE LEVEL
Beginner



LIFE EXPECTANCY
10 years



ACTIVITY
Diurnal



HABITAT
Arid



DIET
Omnivore

ADULT SIZE: 15 - 24 inches

NATIVE TO: Deserts, shrublands, and woodlands throughout Australia
GROUPING: Two females can usually be kept together. Two males will fight. A male and female may be kept together with a possibility of reproduction.

HABITAT: Minimum 36" x 18" for an adult

BEDDING: For babies, use a tightly woven cage liner to avoid impaction from eating loose substrates. For adults, use a non-silica sand. Avoid gravel, pebbles, and silica sand as they can pose a risk of impaction. You can reduce the chance of impaction by offering food on a shallow dish rather than directly on the substrate.

HABITAT CARE: Spot clean daily. Clean their cage with a 5% bleach solution (¼ cup bleach in 1 gallon of water) and change out all bedding at least monthly.

LIGHTING: During the day, use a bright UVA bulb to simulate a sunny day; this will keep the habitat's ambient temperature up and promote a healthy metabolism. Also, use a full-spectrum UVB light during the day to regulate the synthesis of vitamin D3 for proper calcium metabolism. Leave both lights on for 12 hours a day. You may also need a ceramic heat emitter or nighttime reptile bulb to maintain the proper temperature at night.

TEMPERATURE: Provide a thermal gradient across the habitat with a range from 80°-85° on the cool end to a basking area of 95°-110° on the hot end. At night, the temperature can safely drop to 70°-75°. Place a thermometer on both ends of the habitat to monitor temperatures. Avoid placing habitat in direct sunlight and drafty areas due to excessive temperature changes.

HUMIDITY: Humidity is extremely important for bearded dragons. Their enclosure should be maintained at no more than 40% humidity. To keep humidity levels low, ensure there is adequate air flow inside the enclosure and avoid placing water bowls directly under heat lights. Place a hygrometer inside the enclosure to accurately monitor humidity levels.

WATER: Fresh water should be available at all times. Use a heavy bowl that is large enough for your pet to submerge itself. Place the water bowl toward the cooler side of the enclosure. Clean and refill their water bowl daily or more often as necessary. To promote hydration, use a spray bottle to mist your bearded dragon and the inside of the enclosure once or twice a week.

DIET: Their diet should consist of insects, vegetables, and fruits. Insects can include crickets, dubia roaches, butterworms, mealworms, superworms, and silkworms. Recommended veggies include bok choy, bell pepper, broccoli, cabbage, carrot, celery, collard greens, mustard greens, squash (acorn, butternut, yellow), and turnip greens. Recommended fruits include apples, figs, mango, pears, plum, and strawberries. Foods to avoid include iceberg lettuce, spinach, wild-caught insects, fire flies, and avocado. Young bearded dragons will eat more insects than vegetables and fruits. Three times a day, offer as many insects as your young bearded dragon will eat within a few minutes. As your bearded dragon matures, only offer insects once per day. Calcium dust insects at least once a week. Any fruits or vegetables not consumed within 24 hours should be discarded. See our "Feeding Guide for Reptiles".

GROOMING: Bearded dragons regularly shed their skin. Never "help" remove the shedding skin from your bearded dragon as this can be equivalent to picking a scab. To facilitate the shed, mist your bearded dragon a few times a week while it's shedding. You can also soak him in a shallow dish of warm water for a few minutes. In general, they tend to enjoy soaking. Nails should be trimmed regularly.

HANDLING & TEMPERAMENT: Bearded dragons are very docile and require regular, gentle handling.

EXERCISE: They need some exercise to avoid becoming obese. They enjoy digging, climbing, and running. To prevent escapes, use a reptile harness and closely supervise your pet outside of its cage.

VETERINARY CARE: You may wish to schedule a check-up for your new pet. Consult your vet and keep their number handy in case of an emergency.

