

# **GREEN ANOLE**



Green anoles are entertaining and personable little lizards that enjoy being hand-fed, and can make great "starter" reptiles for young and beginning hobbyists. Anoles are inexpensive starter lizards, but they do have some specialized care requirements. These guidelines are the basic necessities for your new pet. Please do your research and consult your veterinarian for further guidance.

## TANK SET UP

A well-ventilated vertical terrarium, that's at least 10 gallons, is best suited for anoles. Fill their terrarium with assorted real or artificial plants, along with vines and branches.

## SUBSTRATE

EcoEarth, Forest Floor, or a mixture of both, works well for anoles. Keep the substrate at least 1" deep in order to help keep in the humidity. Sphagnum moss on the substrate is also a great addition.

## TEMPERATURE

Anoles thrive in 75-80°F ambient temperatures, with a basking spot of 90°F. Night temperatures will range between 65-70°F.

#### LIGHTING

Anoles love the sun, and at least 8 hours of full spectrum UVB and UVA lighting is required. Use a 5.0 UVB bulb, along with a blue day bulb or basking bulb, with a wattage high enough to keep the temperature at 80°F.

#### HUMIDITY

Anoles are tropical, warm climate lizards, and need high humidity, between 60% - 70%, in order to thrive. Keep a full water dish in the enclosure at all times, and spray the sides and accessories of the tank several times a day with water.

FOOD

Anoles eat live insects such as crickets, mealworms, waxworms, and small dubia roaches. Do not feed superworms to your anole. Dust all insects with Calcium w/D3

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