

↻ 4-10 years

↔ 8-10 inches

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🌡️ 70-85° F

🪴 Plants



The Jackson's chameleon, or three-horned chameleon, reminds people of the Triceratops dinosaur. However, these little chameleons only grow to approximately 8"-10" in length! They are readily available, increasingly popular, and fairly easy to care for. These guidelines are the basic necessities for your new pet. Please do your research and consult your veterinarian for further guidance.

**TANK SET UP**

As with all chameleons, the Jackson's should be kept separately. They should have a screen enclosure that is 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 3 ft. for adequate ventilation. You do not want to house adult chameleons in a glass enclosure, as if they see their reflection, they will become aggressive and territorial, causing themselves stress.

**SUBSTRATE**

EcoEarth substrate, approximately 2" on the bottom, will help retain a high humidity. If substrate is not preferred, you may use Repti-carpet or paper on the bottom of the cage, and you will need a Reptifogger.

**TEMPERATURE**

Jackson's chameleons need temperatures between 75-85°F during the day. Their night temperatures may fall below 70°F, so you may use a red light for night time if temperatures are below 65°F.

**HUMIDITY**

The natural habitat for a Jackson's chameleon has 60% - 80% humidity, as those areas can have 40-60" of rain per year. If properly hydrated, the chameleon's eyes will be protruded and function easily. Their skin will be vibrant and they will have a good shed cycle as well. Use a Reptifogger 2-3 hours per day, and fully spray the terrarium at least once a week, as if it's in a rain storm.

**LIGHTING**

Chameleons need full spectrum UVB and UVA lighting. Use a 5.0 UVB bulb along with a blue or basking bulb, wattage appropriate for the size of the habitat. The chameleon should be able to get within 4-6" of the light, without the possibility of the animal being burned.

**FOOD**

A Jackson's staple food is insects: crickets, snails, flies, and dubia roaches, dusted with Calcium with D3. The feeder insects should be gut-loaded, or supply Repti-vitamins for the chameleon. Feed what the chameleon eats in a day; do not over feed.

**ACCESSORIES**

Jackson's are arboreal and need many climbing branches, natural and artificial plants, hammocks, and vines. Always check that the natural plants you choose to use are safe for the chameleon.