

White's Tree Frog



OVERVIEW



- Ease of Care: Intermediate
- Adult Size: Average lengths of 4 inches
- Life Span: Upwards of 10-15 years
- Diet: Insects
- Temperament: Friendly, but can be jumpy
- Background Temp: 22°C-25°C (71.6°F-77°F)
- Basking area: 26°C-29°C (78.8°F-84.2°F)
- Humidity: Daytime 50-70%, up to 100% overnight and during rainy seasons

TOP TIPS

- ✓ Ensure temperatures are not allowed to get too hot as these frogs do not like too much heat.
- ✓ A tall vivarium is the best option for this arboreal frog.
- ✓ Allow some open spaces in the vivarium so that the frog can jump from branch to branch.
- ✓ White's Tree Frogs drink water through their skin. So, a water bowl is a must. All water must be treated with a water conditioner.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



- Housing: Glass Terrarium
- Heating: Heat Mat
- Lighting: UV Tube (Light Cycle: 12 hours of light)
- Substrate: HabiStat Jungle bio, Coir and Moss mix
- Water: Water bowl – water must be treated with a water conditioner such as Exo Terra Aquatize (DEA120)

HOUSING

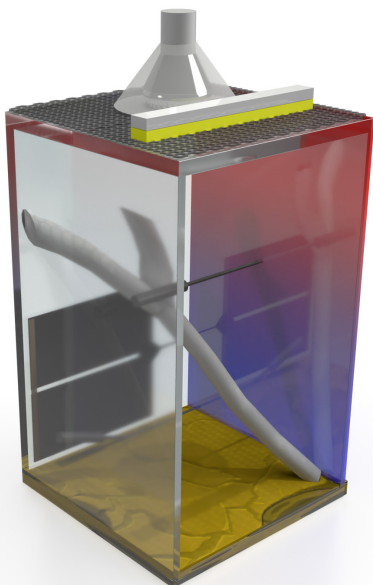


- A relevant sized Terrarium is the perfect housing solution for a White's Tree Frog throughout its whole life.
- HabiStat Glass Terrarium 45cm x 45cm x 60cm (18x18x24") (HGT4560)

ENVIRONMENT



Arboreal Terrarium Setup



Heating

White's Tree Frogs are nocturnal amphibians and will do far better if they are provided with a suitable background temperature with a warmer area towards the top of the terrarium during the day – with all light and heat off overnight.

If your enclosure drops below 22°C overnight, then

using a Heat mat on the rear of the enclosure can be used to maintain the night temperature between 22°C-25°C (71.6°F-77°F)

A heat bulb run on a dimming thermostat is the ideal solution for providing this heat overhead.

Dimming thermostats are designed to regulate temperatures using a thermostat probe (also known as a sensor).

Correct placement of the probe is critical to avoid overheating and injury to the White's Tree Frog. Insert the probe through the lid of the terrarium and attach directly to a branch or similar in the top quarter of the enclosure ensuring this area has a range of 26°C-29°C (78.8°F-84.2°F)

If a Heat mat is used overnight, then a suitable thermostat should be used. The HabiStat Mat Stat (HTMW1) is perfect for the job at hand.

Temperature and Monitoring

Providing a basking area to the top of the enclosure does offer a gradient for the White's Tree Frog to choose from. This area supplied with the overhead heat bulb should not exceed 29°C (84.2°F) – this

leaves a cooler temperature range within the rest of the enclosure ranging between 22°C-25°C (71.6-78°F). The temperature must not be allowed to rise above 29°C (84.2°F) or below 20°C (68°F).

If this minimum temperature is a likely issue, using a heat mat on the outside rear or side of the enclosure would help keeping the heat above this needed minimum.

Night-time temperatures should be allowed to drop a little, 21°C-23°C (69.8°F-73.4°F) is ideal. If night-time temperatures are dropping too low a heat mat can be used to provide heat as mentioned above.

Make sure temperatures are checked regularly to ensure that there are no extreme fluctuations.

Lighting

In captivity, a UV light should be used for a White's Tree Frogs health and wellbeing. We recommend using a UV tube which has been specifically designed for forest dwelling reptiles such as the

Arcadia ShadeDweller (RARTP8S). Make sure the UV light is fitted correctly and the White's Tree Frog is not able to get to close.

Substrates and Decoration

Personal choice will dictate how you decorate your enclosure, but we recommend the following as a guide:

White's Tree Frogs can be housed on HabiStat Jungle Bio, or a Coir with Moss added to the mix. This will retain moisture and help maintain humidity. Wood/branches for climbing, hiding, and sleeping on.

Live or artificial plant decoration will provide darker areas for the White's Tree Frog to shelter.

Water bowl – a suitably sized water bowl must be provided. One deep enough to allow the frog to sit in

DIET & WATER

Babies through to adults should be offered appropriately sized insects.

The White's Tree Frog will be at its most active during the night, so it is best to feed your Tree Frog in the evening.

A source of fresh 'conditioner treated' water must always be available for White's Tree Frogs.

Misting the enclosure, again, with 'conditioner treated' water will allow the Tree Frog to hydrate.

SUPPLEMENTATION

White's Tree Frogs need additional supplementation to their diet to help them to flourish and maintain healthy and productive lives. We recommend using a calcium and multi-vitamin powder as per the product instructions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

White's Tree Frogs hydrate and gain oxygen through their skin, although they do have lungs in which to breathe. For this reason, you must provide a fresh water source in a suitably sized bowl where the White's Tree Frog can sit in the bowl. This also helps keep their skin moist.

You must use either distilled water, or water treated with a 'water conditioner'. With these you add a few drops to your tap water, and it removed any chlorine/chloride in the water that could cause harm overtime to your White's Tree Frog.

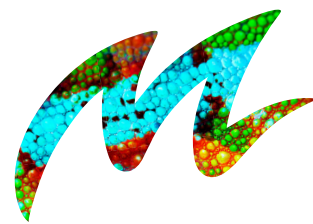
HEALTH & HYGIENE



We recommend the following cleaning routine to keep your White's Tree Frog healthy and happy:

	Water	Substrate	Enclosure
Daily	Change old water for fresh water	Spot clean	Check vents on enclosure are not blocked and allow air to pass through freely
Weekly	Disinfect water bowl or dish	Agitate substrate to prevent any bacterial build up and to allow any dirty bedding to be removed	Wipe down glass and walls with a reptile safe disinfectant
Monthly		Take out old substrate and replace with new substrate	Wipe down inside the enclosure and disinfect décor with a reptile safe disinfectant

Always wash your hands, surfaces and equipment with warm water and disinfectant immediately before and after handling or feeding your White's Tree Frog, their food, enclosure and any other equipment.



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