The Ultimate Guide to Crested Geckos for Beginners

Crested geckos are a popular and rewarding pet for beginners. They are relatively easy to care for, and their unique appearance and personality make them a joy to own. Crested geckos are native to the rainforests of New Caledonia, and they come in a variety of colors and patterns. They are typically docile and handleable, and they make great pets for people of all ages.

When choosing a crested gecko, it is important to select a healthy animal. Look for a gecko that is active and alert, with clear eyes and a clean, smooth body. Avoid geckos that are lethargic, have sunken eyes, or have any signs of illness.

It is also important to choose a gecko that is the right size for your enclosure. Crested geckos can grow up to 8 inches in length, so make sure you have an enclosure that is at least 20 gallons in size.



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The ideal enclosure for a crested gecko is a 20-gallon terrarium with a screen top. The terrarium should be equipped with a heat lamp, a UVB light, and a variety of hiding places.

The heat lamp should be placed on one side of the terrarium, and it should provide a basking spot that is between 85 and 95 degrees Fahrenheit. The UVB light should be placed on the other side of the terrarium, and it should provide a source of ultraviolet radiation that is essential for calcium absorption.

The terrarium should also be decorated with a variety of hiding places, such as caves, plants, and branches. Crested geckos are arboreal animals, so they need to have plenty of places to climb and hide.

Crested geckos are insectivores, and they eat a variety of insects, such as crickets, mealworms, and dubia roaches. It is important to gut-load the insects before feeding them to your gecko. Gut-loading is the process of feeding the insects a nutritious diet so that they pass on those nutrients to your gecko.

Crested geckos should be fed 2-3 times per week. The amount of food you give your gecko will depend on its size and activity level.

Crested geckos are generally healthy animals, but they can be susceptible to a variety of illnesses. Some of the most common illnesses include:

- Metabolic bone disease: This is a condition that occurs when a gecko does not get enough calcium in its diet. Symptoms of metabolic bone disease include soft bones, deformities, and seizures.
- Respiratory infections: These infections are caused by bacteria or viruses, and they can cause symptoms such as sneezing, coughing, and difficulty breathing.
- Parasites: Crested geckos can be infected by a variety of parasites, such as worms and mites. Symptoms of a parasite infection can include weight loss, diarrhea, and lethargy.

It is important to take your crested gecko to the vet for regular checkups. This will help to ensure that your gecko is healthy and to catch any potential health problems early on.

Crested geckos are a great pet for beginners. They are relatively easy to care for, and they make great companions. By following the tips in this quide, you can provide your crested gecko with a long and healthy life.



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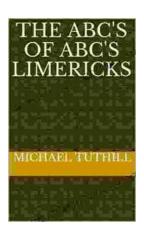
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