# BALL PYTHON

## **PYTHON REGIUS**





#### INTRODUCTION

Ball pythons, despite common myths, can be relatively friendly snakes! They can grow at a rapid rate and can live from 20-30 years, and therefore can be a very long-time commitment. Ball pythons come in a wide variety of colours and patterns. They can be friendly, as long as they are handled on a daily basis.

# HABITAT Humidity 55% Temperature (Day) 80-95F Temperature (Night)

CARE LEVEL: DIFFICULT

LIFESPAN: 20-30 YEARS

SIZE:

4-5 FEET (FEMALE)

3-3.5 FEET (MALE)

MORPHS: GHOST, CLOWN, BANANA, CINNAMON, AXANTHIC, AND MORE!

## FUN FACT:

WHEN IN DEFENSE

MODE, BALL

PYHTONS WILL CURL

UP INTO A BALL,

HENCE THEIR NAME

# ENCLOSURE BASICS Minimum tank size for one

adult ball python: 40 gallons Juvenile ball pythons are best kept in smaller enclosures at approximately 20 gallons, and the tank size should be increased as they grow. Ball pythons like to feel secure, so many hides are necessary in their enclosure. A large water dish is also needed. The ideal substrate mix is coco fibers, moss, and bark, as they help with maintaining proper humidity levels. An alternate choice that is pre-mixed is the Zoo Med Forest Floor Bedding.

### **FEEDING**

Ball pythons eat mice and rats, which will increase in size as the ball pythons grow. We suggest feeding frozen mice and rats, as they are easily accessible and prevent selective or picky eaters.

Juvenile snakes eat smaller mice more frequently, such as once per week, whereas adult ball pythons may eat large mice or rats, likely every 2–3 weeks. Feeding is best done outside of the enclosure, to avoid confusion between handling time and feeding time while taming.

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