# **Shopping list- The Basics**

- ☐ 10 gallon or large terrarium☐ Screen top if not included☐
- ☐ Substrate like reptile bark
- ☐ Hiding cave
- Branches & climbing décor
- □ Plants
- Water dish
- ☐ Mealworm dish
- ☐ Live crickets
- ☐ Mealworms & waxworms
- ☐ Cricket keeper
- ☐ Cricket food
- ☐ Vitamin supplement
- ☐ Calcium supplement
- ☐ Spray bottle for misting
- ☐ UV Lighting and fixture
- ☐ Timer for light fixture
- ☐ Reptile cage thermometers
- ☐ Hydrometer

### **Habitat**

Use a 10 gallon for a single anole and a larger habitat (20L+)for multiple anoles.

**Heat** the habitat with a UVA/UVB basking bulb that creates a basking spot inside the habitat. Turn off basking bulb after 12 hours. Use a night time heat bulb to maintain heat and to view your anole.

Humidity level needs to be kept between 60-80% (misting every day and keeping the water dish full will help keep humidity up).

Temperature for anoles:

- Cool side: 75-85 °FWarm side: 85-90 °FNighttime: 65-75 °F
- Place a thermometer at each end of the habitat to monitor.

Use a **substrate like** reptile bark or coconut fibers about 2-3" thick. Spot clean once weekly and change out completely after one month.

## **Get to know your Anole**

- Average adult size: up to 8" long
- Average life span:

About 5 years

- Diet:
  - Insectivore **Habitat:**

**Tropical** 

## **Nutrition**

Anoles diet consists of primarily insects. **Crickets** are the anoles primary food source but variety is important for a balanced diet including **mealworms** and waxworms.

Dust insects with a calcium supplement twice weekly and multivitamin once weekly. Feed your anole daily to every other day at daytime.

Provide fresh clean water in a shallow dish daily. Also, anoles will lick moisture off their skin and habitat.

Make sure you mist your anole every other day.

# **Grooming & Health**

Anoles shed their skin regularly. Make sure the humidity levels are at appropriate levels to help with the shedding process. Provide a container with water so the anole can shed normally.

You can also provide a shed box, which is, a hide box with sphagnum moss.

### Signs of healthy anole:

- Active and alert
- Clear eyes
- Healthy skin
- Sheds normally
- Eats regularly
- Body and tail are rounded and filled out
- Clean nose and vent

**Experience Level: beginner** 

# Green & Brown Anole

care guide





Our mission is to promote a compassionate and caring environment for animals and our employees. Our current staff are dedicated pet lovers and join us in fulfilling our mission of caring for happy, healthy pets.

Always supervise children when they are interacting with your green or brown anole.

Give your pet 3 to 4 days to adjust to his new surroundings, then try holding him for short amounts of time. Take care to never handle him by the tail—it could break off.

This care guide contains only general information and tips for proper care. Speak with a Pet Depot sales associate or veterinarian with questions concerning your pet's health.