

Yellow belly toad Care Sheet



PROFILE

Common Name: **Yellow belly toad**

Latin Name: ***Bombina variegata***

Native To: **Central and southern Europe**

Size: **1 - 2"**

Life Span: **6 - 10 years**

HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

Environment:

Inhabiting sub-tropical climates throughout central and southern Europe in grasslands, mixed forests and scrubland with water sources

Vivarium Size:

We recommend a 24x12x12" enclosure for up to four adult yellow bellies. With enough food and hiding places, these colourful amphibians can live communally. Either a terrarium style set up with a large water bowl or semi aquatic environment.

Substrate:

We recommend a slightly damp substrate of forest floor, mixed soil and sphagnum moss. Not only will this provide a natural look to the vivarium, it will also help to raise the humidity. A relative humidity of 60-100% is the range for yellow bellies. Live plants and leaf litter are excellent additions for enrichment.

Food and Water:

As with all frogs and toads, yellow bellies absorb water through their skin. Due to this, they need a constant supply of fresh water.

Prey items must be appropriate sized insects including but not limited to crickets, locust, waxworms, earthworms and moths.

It is highly recommended that all food is dusted with vitamin supplements available on the reptile section.

Heat/Light Requirements:

Yellow belly toads are cathemeral and can be seen during the day or night. It is advised to provide a day/night cycle for them. Lighting can be a low wattage UV coil or LED.

At night it is best to allow the temperature to drop 2-5°C to mimic the natural nightly temperature drop.

Below are the ideal temperatures for your yellow belly toad:

Day: 22-26°C

Night: 18-22°C

FURTHER READING:

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