Veiled Chameleon Care Sheet

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Veiled Chameleons are from a wide range of habitats in the Arabian Peninsula in Yemen and Saudi Arabia. Some areas have high heat and low humidity. The mountain slopes have lower heat and high humidity. Their natural range of temperatures is 86⁰ to 110⁰. Maintaining the following requirements in a stable setting will yield good results. Keep your chameleon in a quiet area. They see everything and get stressed easily from strangers and commotion.

Enclosure:

As a rule, chameleons should be housed in screened enclosures. Glass aquariums don't allow the flow of air they need to thrive. Set up a vertical enclosure, the bigger the better. Minimum is 2' by 2' by 4' tall. Provide plenty of limbs and plants for them to climb and hide in. They must feel secure. Choose a hibiscus or Ficus tree as the main plant. Add Ivy plants such as pothos at the top and bottom of the cage. They need a plant to rest in at every temperature gradient in the enclosure.

Temperatures:

Daytime	85⁰-90⁰F 85⁰ is ideal
Basking Areas	95 - >100⁰ F
Nighttime	70⁰ F - 75⁰ F
Humidity (Moderate +)	40%-60%

Keep lights on a 12-14 hour on/off cycle
Provide UVB lighting during daytime cycle

Watering:

Spray cage twice a day, morning and evening. Spray entire animal as well.
Alternatively, set up a drip system that drips water on leaves for an hour or so.

Feeding:

10 – 20 adult crickets every day for a juvenile. This can reduce to 7 – 10 a day when they reach full size. Dust the crickets with vitamin powder once a week. Some adults will eat vegetation. Offer healthy greens (e.g. collard greens, kale or dandelion) for them as a supplement to their diet.

These are the guidelines I follow caring for my own animals. They come from research, reading and personal experience. Please understand this information is not set in stone but is what works for my animals. Use them as a guide but please do research, ask questions and experiment yourself