

## PACMAN HORNED FROG

- Will grow up to 6 inches with a very round, plump body. Males are usually smaller in size than females.
- Have an average lifespan of 7 - 10 years.
- Natively range from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, and Paraguay. They are found in savanna, scrubland, grassland, and wetland habitats.

### Diet

Pacman frogs are insectivores. They eat primarily crickets, mealworms, and night crawlers. Occasionally they can be offered wax worms, goldfish and pinky mice. These items should not be fed more than once per month due to higher fat content.

A high quality vitamin and mineral supplement should be used to coat their food before feeding. This supplement should be used every day for young frogs and every 2 to 4 feedings for juveniles and older frogs.

Pacman frogs are a diurnal, burrowing, inactive species. They are an ambush predator, which means they wait for their prey and lunge at it. They are large frogs with a large appetite and will lunge at anything that comes their way, even your finger!

A dish of fresh water should be available at all times, and a water conditioner to remove chlorine should be used.

### Housing

Pacman frogs should be kept singly as they can be cannibalistic. A single pacman frog will be happy in a 10-15 gallon aquarium with a secure screen cover, a deep layer of soft substrate to burrow in, moss, shallow water dish, and fake plants and driftwood as decor. Mist them daily, their substrate and moss should be kept moist.

Temperatures should be between 75 - 82° F during the day and 68 - 60°F at night. Heat only one end of the tank to provide a thermal gradient for your pacman frog.

### Handling

Frogs and toads absorb things through their skin, so it is best not to handle them because the salt from our hands can draw moisture from their bodies. Also because of this, it is important not to spray any cleaners or fragrances near them or their cage, and to condition their water to remove any chlorine.

### Health

Red leg is a common disease in frogs caused by bad husbandry. It causes small ulcers, hemorrhages, and reddening of the skin around the belly and underside of the thighs.

Metabolic Bone Disease is also common, but easily prevented by dusting the food with a calcium and vitamin D3 supplement at least three times a week.



### PACMAN FROG CHECKLIST

- Tall Terrarium
- Water Dish
- Misting Bottle
- Décor
- Crickets, Cricket Keeper
- Calcium/Vitamin D3 Supplement
- Heat Source
- Lighting
- Substrate & Moss
- Thermometer
- Hygrometer
- Small Transport Carrier
- Pacman Frog Book