

Lacerta dugesii

Taxonomic Authority: (Milne-Edwards, 1829)

Synonyms:

Region: 1

Common Names:

Madeira Lizard English

Order: Sauria

Family: Lacertidae

Notes on taxonomy: This species belongs to the monophyletic group Teira within Lacerta.

General Information

Biome Terrestrial Freshwater Marine

Geographic Range of species:

This species is endemic to Portuguese islands of La Gartixa de Madeira, the Desertas Islands, Porto Santo Island and the Selvagens Islands. It has been introduced to the Azores Islands (where it is widespread) and to the harbour area of Lisbon (where it is localised). It is found from sea level up to 1,850m asl.

Habitat and Ecology Information:

This species is generally found in arid areas with sparse vegetation. It may also occur in open woodland, rocky and cultivated areas. The females lay two to three clutches of eggs annually. Animals have been observed being accidentally transported on ships.

Conservation Measures:

This species occurs in some protected areas. It is listed on Appendix II of the Berne Convention.

Threats:

There are no known major threats to this species. It is often considered to be a pest species, and is controlled in vineyards as it eats grapes.

Species population information:

It is an abundant species.

Country Distribution

Portugal Native - Presence Confirmed Native - Presence Possible Extinct Reintroduced Introduced Vagrant

FAO Marine Habitats

Native - Presence Confirmed Native - Presence Possible Extinct Reintroduced Introduced

Major Lakes

Major Rivers

Upper Level Habitat Preferences

Score

1.4 Forest - Temperate	2
3.4 Shrubland - Temperate	1
3.8 Shrubland - Mediterranean-type Shrubby Vegetation	1
6 Rocky areas (eg. inland cliffs, mountain peaks)	1
10.1 Coastline - Rocky Shores (includes rocky offshore islands and sea cliffs)	1
10.2 Coastline - Sand, Shingle or Pebble Shores (incl. sand bars, spits, sandy islets, dune systems)	1
11.1 Artificial/Terrestrial - Arable Land	1
11.2 Artificial/Terrestrial - Pastureland	1
11.3 Artificial/Terrestrial - Plantations	1
11.4 Artificial/Terrestrial - Rural Gardens	1
11.5 Artificial/Terrestrial - Urban Areas	1

Lower Level Habitat Preferences

Score

Major threats

Code	Description of threat	Past	Present	Future
13	None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Conservation Measures

Code	Conservation measures	In place	Needed
1	Policy-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	Legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1	Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.2	Implementation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.2.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Research actions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.9	Trends/Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.1	Maintenance/Conservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4	Protected areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.2	Establishment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.3	Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Utilisation of Species

Purpose/Type of Use	Subsistence	National	International	Other purpose:	
Primary forms removed from the wild	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25%	Other forms removed from the wild:
Source of specimens in commercial trade	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25%	Other source of specimens:

Trend in wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over last five years:

Trend in offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over last five years:

CITES:

Red Listing

Red List Assessment: Least Concern (LC)

Possibly Extinct

Red List Criteria:

Rationale for the Red List Assessment: Listed as Least Concern because, although its Extent of Occurrence is less than 5,000 km², it is common, occurs in habitats that are not significantly threatened, and does not appear to be in decline.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Date of Assessment: 12/17/2004

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Notes on Red listing:

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