

# Podarcis melisellensis

Taxonomic Authority: (Braun, 1877)

Synonyms:

Region: 8

Common Names:

Dalmatian Wall Lizard	English
Adriatische Mauereidechse	German
lucertola adriatica	Italian

Family: Lacertidae

Order: Sauria

Notes on taxonomy:

## General Information

Biome  Terrestrial  Freshwater  Marine

### Geographic Range of species:

This species ranges from northeastern Italy, through southwestern Slovenia, coastal Croatia, southern Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro (southern Montenegro only) to northwestern Albania. It is present on many Adriatic islands. The species ranges from sea level up to 1,400 m asl.

### Habitat and Ecology Information:

It is found in dry open woodland, scrub, pastures and overgrown areas. It can be found on cliffs, rocks and stone walls. The females lays two to eight eggs per clutch.

### Conservation Measures:

This species is listed on Annex II of the Bern Convention. It is known from the Skadar Lake Protected Area in Montenegro. There are no further conservation actions needed.

### Threats:

There appear to be no major threats to this species. Distinct island populations may be threatened by the introduction of cats and other predators.

### Species population information:

It is a relatively common species.

## Country Distribution

	Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced	Vagrant
Albania	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bosnia and Herzegovina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Croatia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Italy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Slovenia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serbia and Montenegro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 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	1
3.8 Shrubland - Mediterranean-type Shrubby Vegetation	1
6 Rocky areas (eg. inland cliffs, mountain peaks)	1
11.2 Artificial/Terrestrial - Pastureland	1

## Lower Level Habitat Preferences

Score

## Major threats

Code	Description of threat	Past	Present	Future
2	Invasive alien species (directly affecting the species)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.2	Predators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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"/>
3.2	Population numbers and range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4	Protected areas	<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% <i>Other forms removed from the wild:</i>
Source of specimens in commercial trade	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25% <i>Other source of specimens:</i>

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 in view of its wide distribution, tolerance of a degree of habitat modification, presumed large population, and because it is unlikely to be declining fast enough to qualify for listing in a more threatened category.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Date of Assessment: 12/17/2004

Assessor(s): Rastko Ajtic, Wolfgang Böhme

Notes on Red listing:

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