

Most Popular TYPES OF IGUANA

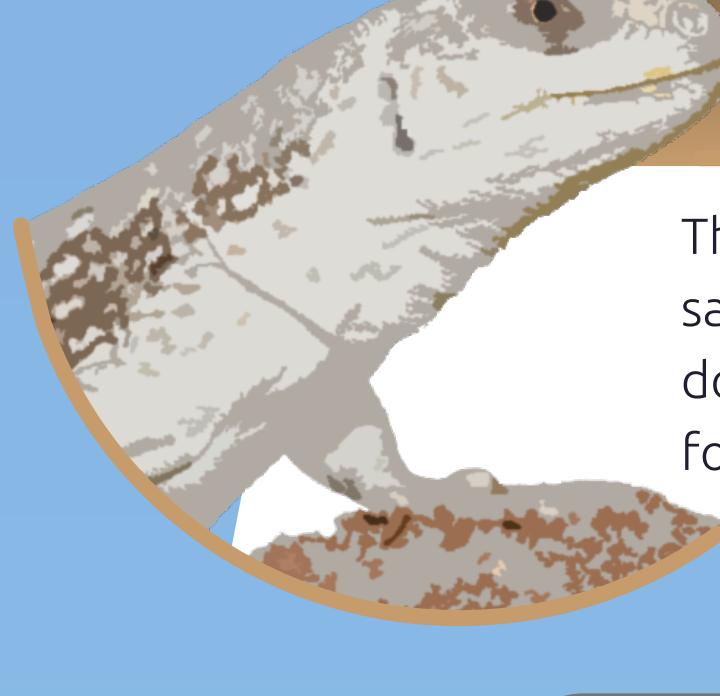
Although notoriously difficult to tame, iguanas are a popular reptile that can be kept as pets. All iguanas generally require the same intensive level of care, but different types of iguanas in the world still have their own quirks and unique colorings.

Green Iguana

Originating out of South America, the Green Iguana is the most popular species. They are herbivores that only eat leafy greens, vegetables, fruits and flowers, and they're known to grow up to seven feet long from tip to tail! Along with their prominent green coloring, they can have unique markings of blue, white, black, pink and purple, among virtually every other color.



Desert Iguana



This iguana comes right from the deserts of North America, with sandy-colored skin and only grow up to two feet in length, though that doesn't mean they can be placed in small areas. They have meaty arms fit for desert-style rock climbing and they're used to hiding in hot climates.

Rhinoceros Iguana



Named after the rhinoceros-like horns that grow on the faces of the males, these iguanas are native to parts of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. They are often very muscular, growing up to five feet in length and weigh up to 20 pounds or more. This type of iguana is also known for its feisty temperament, so owners must handle them with lots of care.



Spiny Tailed Iguana

Native to parts of Central America, this iguana loves a hot and dry climate. They are great climbers that will become aggressive, frequently raising the spiny scales on their back in defense—hence, the name spiny tailed.

Blue Iguana



An extremely unique iguana that comes from the Cayman Islands, this iguana is known for its bright blue coloring and large size, as it can grow to weigh over 30 pounds. Although this type is not as aggressive as some others, it is protected by the islands because it is an endangered species, making it unlikely to find as a pet.



Do Iguana Make Good Pets?

Iguanas are often difficult for beginner lizard keepers to tame, as they are very aggressive and not naturally accustomed to human touch. However, some intermediate owners can take on the green types of iguanas as pets. As they are most commonly found, they are the easiest type to handle, so long as owners are committed to understanding their unique nature.