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Fire Skink

Mochlus fernandi

The Fire Skink is a brightly colored, medium-sized lizard native to West and Central Africa, renowned for its vivid red, gold, and black scales. Highly secretive and terrestrial, it spends much of it...

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile

Family: Scincidae

Habitat: Humid forest floor

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 10-15 years

Weight: 40-70 grams

Scientific name: *Mochlus fernandi*

Did you know?

- Fire Skinks are capable of regenerating their tails after shedding them, though the new tail is often less vibrant and differently shaped than the or...
- Fire Skinks can shed their tails as a defense mechanism to escape predators. Despite their vibrant colors, they are quite shy and prefer to hide unde...

What I learned
