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Northern Blue-tongued Skink

Tiliqua scincoides intermedia

The Northern Blue-tongued Skink is a large, robust lizard native to northern Australia, easily recognized by its vivid blue tongue, which it displays as a defensive mechanism. Its body is broad and e…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Scincidae
Habitat: Tropical savanna and woodland
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 500-900 grams
Scientific name: Tiliqua scincoides intermedia

Did you know?

- The blue coloration of their tongue is thought to mimic the appearance of venomous animals, helping to deter would-be attackers.
- Northern Blue-tongued Skinks are known for their striking blue tongues, which they display to startle predators. They give birth to live young, unlik…

What I learned

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