

RVC Exotics Service

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- In addition, several times a week 3-5 insects and a teaspoon of either baby food meats, hardboiled egg, meal worms etc can be given. These should also be dusted with calcium supplements.
- A balanced commercial hedgehog pellet can be given as an alternative but many of these have a high number of dried insects in.
- Additional vitamin and mineral supplementation should be applied to any insects given
- Obesity is a common problem in captive hedgehogs, so it is important to limit food amounts, feeding only at night, and removing any uneaten food in the early morning
- Water should always be freely available either in a drinking bottle or shallow bowl.
- Hedgehogs are prone to dental disease which is why dry foods should make up a proportion of the diet.
- Keeping hedgehogs at the appropriate temperature range is important to avoid

