



## Video transcript

### Bearded dragon introduction

So, this is the Australian Bearded Dragon. You'll notice he's spiky-looking lizard. It's a lizard like as everyone can tell. He's got four legs. The Australian Bearded Dragon is the most popular lizard pet in the World. They breed millions in North America and Europe for the pet trade and it's an easy animal to keep and it's got a very gentle nature. So, it's incredibly popular as a pet all over the World, not just Australia. But in the wild you'd find them in central NSW, central part of eastern Australia or Queensland, Northern Territory, NSW, Victoria even in the dry, semi-arid areas. So, it lives out there in the semi-arid desert. People think they're aggressive but it's a very casual and laid back lizard. Often seen on fence posts especially the males in the Spring they'll sit up on a fence post and they'll watch other males and stake out their territory. Often you can approach them very closely in the wild and take a photo and they just sit there on the fence post. So, in the wild this guy would be sitting out in the Sun, any day the Sun's out, they're out sitting in the Sun especially in the morning when you see them sitting on fence posts, up on timber. And people think reptiles are cold blooded but that's an old fashioned term. These particular lizards, they like to be about thirty five-thirty six degrees Celsius and that's really warm. Like humans, our body temperature's thirty seven. So, these lizards are basically almost the same temperature as us during the day when they're basking. And that's a really important point for our keeping them in captivity.