

Prized Python

A zoo curator shares his Angolan python secrets.

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Angolan pythons (*Python anchietae*) have long been considered unavailable to both zoo and private collections. The Angolan python has a limited range, often within harsh and inaccessible habitat, and it's scarce in captivity. However, with ever-improving captive maintenance and breeding husbandry, the availability of Angolan pythons has gotten better in recent years, and this handsome, moderately sized snake has found its way into the hearts and private collections of snake-fanciers around the world.

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