ROCK LIZARDS OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

Iberolacerta and Scelarcis

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SVL 8 cm. Breeding males with bright green or bluish back an belly, with dark, heavy reticulations. Females brown and smaller, with dark flanks and dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. Blue outer ventral scales. No blue ocelli on shoulders. No dorsolateral lines. Rostral scale touches frontonasal scale, supranasal scale usually touches loreal scale, first supratemporal scale large and cut down into parietal scale. Juveniles usually with striking bluish tail.



SVL 8.4 cm. Breeding males with bright green back an belly, with dark, heavy reticulations. Females brown and smaller, with dark flanks and dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. Several blue ocelli on shoulders and flanks. No dorsolateral lines. Frequent contact or near-contact between the supranasal and the first loreal scale. Juveniles usually with striking bluish or green tail.



SVL 7 cm. Males brown with heavy reticulations (very similar to males of Podarcis muralis). Females brown and smaller. Underside white to light green, green throat. Blue outer ventral scales. One blue ocelli on shoulders. No dorsolateral lines. Juveniles usually with green tail.

ARAN ROCK LIZARD



SVL 8 cm. Breeding males with bright green back an belly (bright cyan in Serra da Estrela), with dark, heavy reticulations. Females brown and smaller, with dark flanks and dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. Blue outer ventral scales. Blue ocelli on shoulders. No dorsolateral lines. Rostral scale usually does not touch frontonasal scale, supranasal scale usually touches loreal scale, first supratemporal scale large and cut down into parietal scale. Juveniles usually with blue or green tail.



SVL 6 cm. Grayish-brown back, finely flecked with dark spots (no significant striping). Flanks darker, with pale round spots. Dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. No blue spots. Belly unspotted whitish or pale bluish. Bostral scale touches frontonasal scale, supranasal scale usually touches loreal scale, two larger temporal scales with a row of three smaller ones in between.



SVL 5.5 cm. Grayish or brown back. Line or dark spots along both sides of the back. Flanks with a dark brown band. Dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. No blue spots. No vertebral line. Belly unspotted whitish or pale bluish or greenish. Rostral scale touches frontonasal scale, supranasal scale usually touches loreal scale, three characteristic big masseteric scales.



SVL 5.4 cm. Brown back with some small dark spots or reticulation. Flanks, with pale round spots. Dorsolateral area with indistinct paler band. Mid-dorsal small spots or reticulations. No vertebral line. No blue spots on flanks or outer ventral scales. Belly yellowish with black spots. Throat white.



SVL 5.5 cm. introduced. BUTh gray or grayish-green densely covered with a dark reticulated pattern forming numerous pale round spots. Uniformly pale grayish, olive or bluish animals can also be found. In Morocco greyish-brown often with two broad, pale stripes along the back. Belly white or bluish. No masseteric plate. Scaleless transparent lower eyelid. Juveniles with blue or green tail.