

# Chaco Golden Stripe Tarantula



## Care Sheets

Item Code: 1125

**Scientific Name:** Grammostola aureostriata

**Native to:** South America

**Adult Size:** Leg span of 8 inches or more

**Life Span:** 2-4 years



### General Information

The Chaco Golden Stripe Tarantula got its name from the golden stripe on its knees. These tarantulas are very mid-mannered and easy to handle. They love to burrow so make sure you provide enough substrate. These tarantulas make a great display tarantula because of their flashy appearance. They are very docile and are a perfect pet for beginners.

### General Care

**Enclosure:** You can house baby and juvenile Chaco Golden Stripe Tarantulas in a 5 gallon aquarium. As they become adults house them in a 20 gallon aquarium. Make sure you provide your tarantula with enough room to move around.

**Substrate:** You can use either potting soil, Peat moss, Vermiculite, coconut fiber or mulch as substrate for your Chaco Golden Stripe Tarantula. Provide 4-12" of substrate for the tarantula to burrow in.

**Habitat:** Provide long pieces of cork bark, and branches for your tarantula to climb on. Also provide a hide spot for the tarantula to go in if it feels threatened.

**Temperature:** Keep temperature around 70 to 80 °F. Humidity should be around 60-70%

**Lighting:** Provide 12 hours of light daily.

**Food and Water:** The Chaco Golden Stripe Tarantula eats a variety of food including crickets, flightless fruit flies, mealworms, superworms and pinkie mice. Keep a bowl of fresh non-chlorinated water in enclosure. Make sure water bowl is shallow and no wider than the body length of the tarantula. Daily misting of their substrate also helps maintain humidity levels.

**Molting:** Tarantulas need to shed their exoskeleton periodically to allow for growth. Younger tarantulas will molt more often. Most tarantulas will fast a period of days or weeks before molting. Remove the molted skin as soon as possible after the spider is completely finished molting.