



Taurus Application Instructions

Taurus is a living product containing predatory mites (*Cheyletus eruditus*) for the biological control of Snake Mite (*Ophionyssus natricis*) and other mites of reptiles and snakes.

When To Apply

- Apply Taurus as soon as symptoms of Snake Mite, or live mites, are identified.
- You cannot overdose with Taurus predators, the more that are applied the quicker the control over Snake Mites will be achieved.
- In most circumstances, Taurus predators will consume **95%** of Snake Mites within 10 days after the initial application.
- Taurus predators will stay active for about 3 weeks and will die back once they have consumed all of the present pest mites.
- Severe infestations of Snake Mite may require more than one application.

Ophionyssus natricis

Cheyletus eruditus





How To Apply

- Do not apply Taurus if chemical insecticide treatments have been made within two weeks of application.
- If possible, remove old substrate from the Terrarium/Vivarium.
- Natural substrates, such as wood shavings, bark or cocopeat, provide a good environment for Taurus predatory mites
- Apply your Taurus as soon as possible after receipt. If this is not possible, Taurus can be fridge stored for 1-2 days at between 5-15°C.
- If applying from bottles, ensure to rotate and gently shake the contents when pouring. If applying from buckets, or containers, scatter and apply the carrier material throughout the Terrarium/Vivarium or across racks.
- Taurus can also be placed inside our **Mite Dispenser Tubes**, which can be tied inside enclosures for targeted applications.



Dosage Recommendations

UNIT SIZE:	TREATMENT AREA:
TAURRUS M	1-2 TERRARIUMS/VIVARIUMS
TAURRUS L	10-15 TERRARIUMS/VIVARIUMS
TAURRUS XL	25-30 TERRARIUMS/VIVARIUMS
TAURRUS XXL	50+ TERRARIUMS/VIVARIUMS

