

WANTED

TOKAY GECKO

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Photo: W.A. Djatniko



Photo: Richard Ling

Why worry about Tokay geckos?

- Tokay geckos grow up to 12 inches long, they are aggressive, and they bite.
- They will eat bird eggs if they find them, threatening our native bird species.
- Native to Southeast Asia, Tokay geckos were probably introduced to Hawai'i via the illegal pet trade.
- Tokay geckos have been found in Mānoa, Kāneʻohe, and Makiki. We need your help to stop them from spreading.
- If you see or hear this animal, call the pest hotline at 643-PEST (643-7378)

How can I identify a Tokay gecko ?

- Most people will hear a Tokay gecko before they see it.
- Tokay geckos have an unusual call. Their call sounds like their name, "To-Kay".
- Tokay geckos can be up to 12 inches long and have skin that ranges from light blue, gray or dark brown with orange spots.

Who is OISC?

- The O'ahu Invasive Species Committee (OISC) is a multi-sector partnership protecting O'ahu from invasive plants and animals that threaten our environment, economy, and quality of life.
- OISC is conducting night surveys in Mānoa for Tokay geckos. OISC employees carry identification.
- OISC partners include Dept. of Land and Natural Resources, Dept. of Agriculture, Board of Water Supply and other municipal, state and federal agencies.

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