

Salamandrina terdigitata

Region: 10

Taxonomic Authority: (Lacépède, 1788)

Synonyms:

Salamandra perspicillata Savi, 1821

Common Names:

salamandrina dagli occhiali Italian
Spectacled Salamander English

Order: Caudata

Family: Salamandridae

Notes on taxonomy: Recent research indicates that the central and northern populations of this species are probably distinct from the southern populations, and therefore the Genus Salamandrina should actually contain two species (Mattocchia, et al., 2005).

General Information

Biome Terrestrial Freshwater Marine

Geographic Range of species:

This species is endemic to Peninsular Italy in the Apennine Mountains (where it is widespread) and other hilly areas, mainly in the west of the country (it is rarer on the Adriatic side of the mountains). It is usually found at elevations between 200 and 900m asl, but may occur between near sea level and 1,500m asl.

Habitat and Ecology Information:

It is mainly found in forests with dense undergrowth in hilly and mountainous areas, often in north-facing mountain valleys. This species is dependent upon well-oxygenated, acidic streams, usually with rocky beds. It only occasionally uses ponds. The eggs of this species are deposited in still or slow moving, shadowed waters (although animals may lay eggs on land in stressful situations). It appears to avoid seriously modified habitats.

Conservation Measures:

This species is protected by law in several provinces in Italy, and it is listed in Appendix II of the Bern Convention. It occurs in several protected areas, including the Abruzzo National Park and Pollino National Park.

Threats:

In parts of the species range there are some localised declines through habitat loss and aquatic pollution. But overall, it is not significantly threatened.

Species population information:

It is sometimes difficult to find, but it is common in western parts of its range.

Country Distribution

	Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced	Vagrant
Italy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

FAO Marine Habitats

Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced
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Major Lakes

Major Rivers

Upper Level Habitat Preferences

Score

1.4	Forest - Temperate	1
5.1	Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Rivers/Streams/Creeks (includes waterfalls)	1
5.7	Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Freshwater Marshes/Pools (under 8ha)	1

Lower Level Habitat Preferences

Score

Deciduous Broadleaf Wood	9
Mixed Forest	9
Small Leaf Mixed Woods	9

Major threats

Code	Description of threat	Past	Present	Future
1	Habitat Loss/Degradation (human induced)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1.2	Wood plantations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1.2.1	Small-scale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3	Extraction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3.3	Wood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3.3.2	Selective logging	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3.3.3	Clear-cutting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4	Infrastructure development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4.2	Human settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Pollution (affecting habitat and/or species)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Conservation Measures

Code	Conservation measures	In place	Needed
1	Policy-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	Legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1	Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1.2	National level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.2	Implementation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.2.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2.2.2	National level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Research actions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.2	Population numbers and range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.3	Biology and Ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

6.3	Water pollution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.4	Habitat status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.3.1	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.5	Threats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4	Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.1	Maintenance/Conservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.4	Protected areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.4.2	Establishment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
					4.4.3	Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Utilisation of Species

Purpose/Type of Use	Subsistence	National	International	Other purpose:
Primary forms removed from the wild	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25% <i>Other forms removed from the wild:</i>
Source of specimens in commercial trade	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25% <i>Other source of specimens:</i>
Trend in wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over last five years:				
Trend in offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over last five years:				
CITES: Not listed				

Red Listing

Red List Assessment: Least Concern (LC) Possibly Extinct

Red List Criteria:

Rationale for the Red List Assessment: Listed as Least Concern in view of its wide distribution, presumed large population, and because it is unlikely to be declining fast enough to qualify for listing in a more threatened category.

Current Population Trend: Stable **Date of Assessment:** 12/17/2004

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Notes on Red listing:

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