

Apathya yassujica

(NILSON, RASTEGAR-POUYANI,
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Yassujian Lizard



Global range: Iran.

Distribution in Iran: Provinces of Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari, Fars, and Kohgiluyeh and Boyer-Ahmad.

Biology: The Yassujian Lizard lives in Mediterranean zones, mountain and rocky slopes and rocks with vertical sides and edges as well as open forests. This species is active in sunny areas during daytime and is often seen on vertical surfaces of rocks. This lacertid species usually hides between gaps of rocks and under stones. Habitats of this species are covered with oaks.

Size: Snout–vent length 58 mm, tail length 105 mm.

Reproduction: Oviparous.

Status: Common.

Conservation status: IUCN: Least Concern, CITES: –, National: Non-protected.

Diet: Arachnids and insects.

Activity pattern: Diurnal.



Fig. 197: In *Apathya yassujica*, a broken black stripe extends from the snout to the hind legs on both sides. The tail, regenerated in this specimen, is blue.

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