

Eremias intermedia (STRAUCH, 1876)

Aralo-Caspian Racerunner

Global range: Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

Distribution in Iran: Provinces of Razavi Khorasan and Semnan.

Biology: The Aralo-Caspian Racerunner lives in stabilized sand hills with semi-shrubby vegetation. This species may also be found in wide desert plains covered with scattered bushes and sandy soils. This species usually seeks shelter in rodent burrows.

Size: Snout-vent length 54 mm, tail length 91 mm.

Reproduction: Oviparous.



Fig. 223: The longitudinal rows of black or dark brown ocelli are white-centered in *Eremias intermedia*.

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Fig. 224: *Eremias isfahanica* is characterized by scattered dark blotches on its flanks and two dark stripes without pale markings running parallel to the vertebral line. Behzad ZADHOUSH

Status: Common.

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

Diet: Arachnids and insects.

Activity pattern: Diurnal.