

FERN'S BIOACTIVE FOREST

Trichorhina Tomentosa "dwarf white"



Size – 1mm – 3mm

Lifespan – 1 – 3 years approx

Temps – This species does best at warmer temperatures 70 - 85 F

Humidity – A tropical species that does best in dimly lit, moist areas where humidity levels should stay between 80-90%

Food – Leaf litter, rotting wood, veggies, fish foods (careful of mites), and Custodian fuels.

Dwarf Whites (*Trichorhina tomentosa*) are the most popular species of isopods for poison dart frog vivaria and other bioactive setups. The Isopods are small, softer bodied crustaceans that serve both as vivarium janitors and as supplemental food for herps, such as dart frogs and geckos, as well as invertebrates. They are an essential to any tropical ecosystem as they breed parthenogenetically meaning they reproduce in a way in which an egg can develop into an embryo without being fertilized by a sperm. They reproduce quickly, and are a great isopod to seed your vivarium with as they will keep it clean and tidy and remove any unwanted bacteria, as well as fertilize your plants! They also eat gecko shed and waste excretions.