Breeding Food Animals Live Food for Vivarium Animals: 63 Black-and White photographs and drawings by Werner Volland

Learn how to successfully breed live food for the animals in your care with this essential guide for all professional and amateur vivarium owners. It provides easy-to-follow instructions for the development of long-term breeding environments for food animals and describes in considerable detail how to raise a wide variety of live food such as plankton, worms, crustaceans, mollusks, insects, mammals such as mice and rats, and includes some live foods that are rarely used. This book gives expert advice and will answer all questions that might arise during the raising of food for the vivarium. It contains information that is necessary in providing vivarium animals with a healthier, longer life.

My Personal Review:
For anyone with an interest in raising live food for their exotic pets, this book has a huge wealth of information. The subtitle 63 black and white photographs led me to believe it was little more than photos, but it actually contains detailed information on raising a wide range of organisms. It contains chapters covering feeder items including plankton, springtails, daphnia, worms, crickets, flies, waxworms, roaches, locusts, woodlice, rodents, and on and on!

The only fault I find with this book is that they should have done a better job with the translation and editing. It was originally written in German, and could have been greatly improved by some additional editing by a native English speaker familiar with the subject. In the section on Nematodes, the text jumps from vinegar eels to microworms without distinguishing between the two species, but I believe that this was an error, with some information perhaps being lost in translation.
Whats not to love about a book that features a pair of mating insects right on the cover?! This book is well worth having for anyone who raises live food.

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