# GIANT DEVILS FLOWER MANTIS

Idolomantis diabolica

## **RANGE:**

Distributed throughout East Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Somalia, Tanzania & Uganda.

## **HABITAT:**

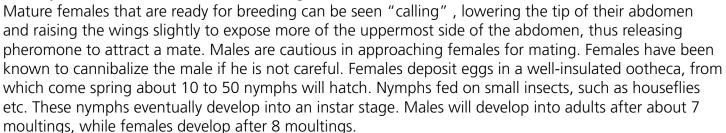
Semi moist savannah grasslands and into light scrubland.

## **DIET:**

Variety of insects. Especially flying insects such as flies, moths, butterflies and beetles.

## **REPRODUCTION:**

Sexually mature at about 4 to 6 weeks of age.



#### **POINTS OF INTEREST:**

- One of the largest species of mantis that specialize in mimicking flowers. Females grow to about 13 cm (5 inches) and males are about 10 cm (4 inches) in length.
- Highly prized in pet trade due to its beauty and size. Information about the mantis is dominated by pet trade information.
- Colors on these mantis range from red to white to blue, purple and black.
- Known for having a "ferocious" nature.



