

Ongoing Maintenance



Add Tetra SafeStart Plus monthly when performing water changes aquarium, and also replenishes beneficial bacteria lost during water and cartridge changes. Tetra SafeStart Plus adds essential bacteria necessary for starting and maintaining a successful

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MONTHLY

For monthly cleaning: Replace filter cartridge with the correct size for your aquarium filter. Use a gravel vacuum to remove excess waste and 25% of the water. Wipe down the glass with a paper towel or aquarium-specific cleaning tool. Never use soaps, detergents or other cleaning agents. Treat new water with Tetra® AquaSafe® Plus and SafeStart™ Plus prior to adding it to the aquarium.



Aquarium keeping simplified.

- Simplify water care and testing
- Set helpful reminders
- Keep track of products

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hardness, chlorine, pH and alkalinity.

Test water with Tetra EasyStrips weekly to maintain a healthy tank. Tetra EasyStrips test water for six critical water attributes: nitrate, nitrite,

Tetra® EasyStrips™

Tetra EasyBalance Plus keeps water biologically balanced for a healthy fish environment and provides beneficial vitamins and minerals for fish alkalinity.

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Use Tetra EasyBalance Plus weekly for healthy water and when test strips indicate low pH or

WEEKLY

Feed your fish in small amounts daily, only what the fish can consume within several minutes. Be careful not to overfeed, as excess food can contribute to an unhealthy aquarium environment.

DAILY

Nutrition



Tips and Hints

- Before purchasing fish, know how large a species of fish grows to ensure your tank is large enough.
- On average, you should leave your aquarium light on for 8 to 12 hours. If algae growth becomes a problem, reduce the amount of light time. Light timers can help with this problem.
- Stock your fish slowly over time to decrease the chance of ammonia spikes and other water quality issues.
- Fish need oxygen too; use an air pump and air stone to provide an extra boost of oxygen to the water.
- Give your fish plenty of places to hide in the aquarium decorations. This makes the fish feel safe and helps them thrive.
- Isolate fish if disease occurs to prevent other fish in your tank from becoming infected.
- Fish do not regulate their own body temperature; therefore, they rely on the heat of the water to maintain their body heat. Purchase an aquarium heater that is appropriately sized for your aquarium to maintain the temperature your type of fish require. The average ideal temperature for freshwater tropical fish is 78°F.

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Aquarium Setup Instructions

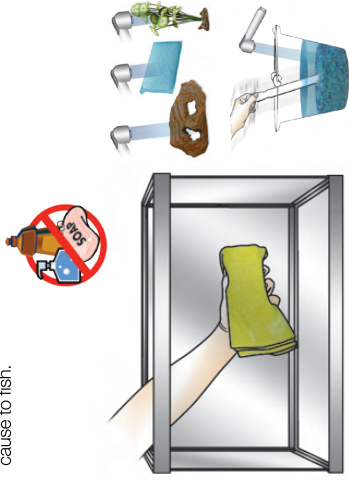
1. Aquarium Location

Choose a flat, level surface near an electrical outlet. Aquariums 10 gallons and larger should be placed on a commercially manufactured aquarium stand. Do not place on top of electronics or in an entertainment center. Avoid heat sources and air conditioners to maintain proper temperature. To avoid excessive algae growth, DO NOT place in direct sunlight.



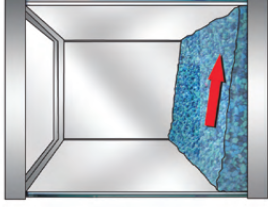
2. Rinse Before Use

Rinse all plants, decorations and filter cartridges with clean water. Use a new, damp, soft cloth to rinse and clean new aquariums inside and out. Rinse gravel in a new bucket with clean water. Never clean aquariums, décor or equipment with household soaps or chemicals due to the harm they cause to fish.



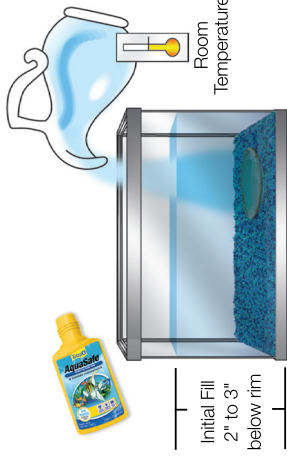
3. Add Gravel

Add 1 to 1.5 inches of gravel for any aquarium size; this may vary in weight. Slope the gravel bed gradually down from the back to the front to add depth to your aquascaping.



4. Add Water

Treat water with Tetra® AquaSafe® Plus to remove harmful chlorine and chloramines. Leave 2 to 3 inches of room from top rim when filling the aquarium.



6. Install Equipment

Select equipment appropriate for your aquarium size. Read and follow equipment safety precautions and instructions prior to installation. Always use a power strip with a surge protector.



NOTE: Make a drip loop and use a GFCI-protected outlet for safety.

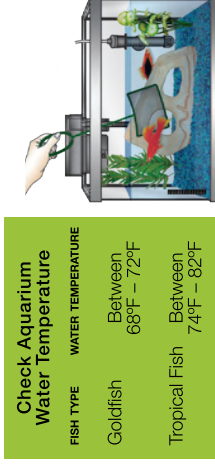
7. Check for Safe Water

Before adding new fish, add Tetra® SafeStart™ Plus to the aquarium. Use Tetra® EasyStrips™ to ensure adequate water quality.



8. Before Adding Fish...

Once the aquarium temperature is ideal and you have treated the water with both Tetra AquaSafe Plus and SafeStart Plus, submerge the transport bag with new fish in the aquarium for 15 to 30 minutes. This will equalize the water temperature and allow the fish to adjust to any temperature changes. After at least 15 minutes, using an aquarium net and container to catch residual water, add the new fish to the aquarium without adding water from the transport bag.



Check Aquarium Water Temperature	
FISH TYPE	WATER TEMPERATURE
Goldfish	Between 68°F – 72°F
Tropical Fish	Between 74°F – 82°F

9. Finishing Up

Once the fish are properly added to the aquarium, top off the aquarium water so the water line is approximately 1 inch from the top of the tank. Remember to treat all new water with Tetra AquaSafe Plus prior to adding.



5. Add Plants and Décor

Add aquatic plants (live or artificial), decorative rocks and ornaments.



10. Sign Up for TetraCare

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ALWAYS

- ✓ carry an aquarium from underneath, supporting the bottom at all times
- ✓ follow instructions carefully
- ✓ use appropriate dosage when using water care products

NEVER

- ✗ attempt to move a full or partially full aquarium or lift an aquarium with wet hands
- ✗ overcrowd your tank. The general rule is one gallon of water for every inch of fish

Reminders