



# FISH TANK

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# Unlock Highest Dimension 开启最高维度

## 1. Tank

Start with a minimum of 10-Gallon fish tank, you can get a bigger one if you like.

- Get a simple plain fish tank and build the accessories on your own
- Get an over-the-tank lighting, with auto turn on and off feature. Lighting should be anywhere between 6-10 hrs to supplement sunlight. The more sunlight the tank gets, the less the time of the lighting, to prevent algae build up in tank. [Amazon link for fish tank lighting](#)
- Get a glass canopy 10 (if it is a 10-gallon tank): [Amazon link for glass canopy](#)
- Get an automatic fish tank feeder. The point of getting the glass canopy is to be able to let the fish feeder sit on top of the tank. (There should be a better way to do this, feel free to research on your own) [Amazon link for automatic fish tank feeder](#)

AQQA Aquarium Light, Multi-Function Fish Tank Led Light 24/7 DIY Auto On Off + Night Mode + Day Mode + Full Spectrum + 7 Colors, Adjustable Brightness Waterproof with Timer for Freshwater 16W



Visit the AQQA Store  
4.5 ★★★★★ 14 ratings | 8 answered questions


**\$39.99**

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Coupon: Apply 10% coupon Shop items | Terms  
(Eligible for Return, Refund or Replacement within 30 days of receipt - Free Amazon tech support included)

Size: 16W (18" x 24")		
16W (18" x 24")	12W (12" x 18")	24W (24" x 32")
\$39.99	\$25.99	\$47.99
20W (22" x 36")	36W (36" x 48")	40W (48" x 54")
\$57.99	\$65.99	\$69.99

Amazon's Choice



**H2Pro 20" Glass Canopy 10 Gallon Aquarium Fish Tank (19.33 x 9.65 x 0.16in)**

★★★★★ ~ 2,008

**\$27.99**

EHEIM Everyday Fish Feeder Programmable Automatic Food Dispenser



Brand: Eheim  
4.4 ★★★★★ 7,304 ratings  
Amazon's Choice for "eheim automatic fish feeder"

**-22% \$31.21**  
List Price: \$59.99

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May be available at a lower price from other sellers, potentially without free Prime shipping.


Material: Cotton

## 2. Water

If you are using tap water, make sure to add 2 drops per gallon of PRIME (removes chlorine & chloramine). [Amazon link for Prime water conditioner](#)

Grocery Deals Snacks Breakfast Warm Beverages Cold Beverages Cooking Staples Baby Food Candy & Chocolate

MICROBE-LIFT XTASBREC Water Conditioner (64 Ounces) and Special Blend for Fish Health (16 Ounces) Bundle, Aquarium Treatment Kit for Freshwater and Saltwater Tanks



Seachem Prime Fresh and Saltwater Conditioner - Chemical Remover and Detoxifier 16.9 fl. oz

Visit the Seachem Store  
4.9 ★★★★★ 1,294 ratings | 7 answered questions

Price: **\$17.07** (\$1.01 / fl oz)

Pay \$17.07 \$0.00 after using available Amazon Visa rewards points.

Local Business

Brand: Seachem  
Liquid Volume: 500 Milliliters  
Item Weight: 0.61 Kilograms  
Item Form: Liquid  
Target Species: Fish

**About this item**

- POWERFUL TREATMENT: Seachem Prime is a complete and concentrated conditioner for both freshwater and saltwater



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### 3. Temperature

76 to 80F (need water heater) (temp monitor) there is the sticker type thermometer, it's cheaper and works just as well. [Amazon link for heater & temp monitor](#), [Amazon link for temp monitor](#)

**FREESEA 50W Mini Aquarium Heater Fish Tank Submersible Heater with LED Temperature Display**



Visit the FREESEA Store  
4.3 ★★★★★ 7,838 ratings

**-27%** \$18.99 (\$18.99 / Count)  
List Price: \$25.99

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Size: **50Watt**

50Watt \$18.99 (\$18.99 / Count)	75Watt_ \$19.99 (\$19.99 / Count)	100Watt \$23.99 (\$23.99 / Count)
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capetsma Aquarium Thermometer Digital Fish Tank Thermometer Accurate Reptile Thermometer Temperature...  
★★★★★ 202

\$9.99 Was: \$14.99  
Save 5% with coupon  
✓prime FREE One-Day Get it tomorrow, May 11

### 4. Filtration

Use Aquaclear 20 for filtration, change all three once a month: sponge, biomax, activated charcoal filter. [Amazon link for fish tank filter](#)

**AquaClear 20 Power Filter, Fish Tank Filter for 5- to 20-Gallon Aquariums**



Brand: AquaClear  
4.4 ★★★★★ 19,435 ratings

**-15%** \$32.99  
List Price: \$38.99

**Earn 5% back (\$1.64 in rewards) on the amount charged to your Prime Visa. Not eligible for Amazon Prime. Available with free Prime shipping from other sellers on Amazon.**

Size: **5 to 20 Gallons - 20**

5 to 20 Gallons - 20	10 to 30 Gallons - 30	20 to 50 Gallons - 50
40 to 70 Gallons - 70	60 to 110 Gallons - 110	

Style: **Fish Tank Filter**


**Fish Tank Filter** Fish Tank Filter+ Pre-Filter Sponge

- Aquarium filtration system that offers superior contact time with filter media and energy efficient pump lowers operating costs
- Quick and easy installation; we recommend that you clean aquarium filter every

### 5. pH

Should be around 7.0 add DISCUS BUFFER at a rate of 1 tsp per 10 gallon daily until desired pH is reached. I use this testing strips to check the water condition DAILY for a good 3 months to monitor the Nitrites mainly. [Amazon link for pH test strip](#)

**Freshwater Aquarium Test Strips 6 in 1 - Fish Tank Test Kit for Testing pH Nitrite Nitrate Chlorine General & Carbonate Hardness (GH & KH) - Easy to Read Wide Strips & Full Water Testing Guide, 116 Ct**



Visit the Health Metric Store  
4.5 ★★★★★ 1,021 ratings

Price: **\$13.49**

**Earn 5% back (\$0.67 in rewards) on the amount charged to your Prime Visa.**

Pattern Name: **6in1 - 116**

6in1 - 116 \$13.49	6in1 - 18 \$11.24	6in1 - 200 \$16.99 (\$16.99 / Count)	6in1 - 64 \$12.59
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- **KEEP YOUR AQUARIUM OR POND HEALTHY** - Monitoring your aquarium's water quality is the most important thing for keeping tropical fish healthy and vibrant, and your tank looking beautiful.
- **QUICK & EASY TO USE** - Designed by experts, this 6 in 1 freshwater aquarium test kit is fast and easier to use than liquid test kits. Aqua Care Pro strips are wider and have non-bleeding colors, making them easier to hold, dip, and read.



## 6. Water Pump

You would need a water pump to pump the water from the tank once or twice a month. This pump works great. [Amazon link for water pump](#)

**biOrb Cleaner Pump**  
Visit the biOrb Store  
4.4 ★★★★★ 980 ratings  
Amazon's Choice for "biorb pump"

**-\$12.89**  
List Price: \$45.99

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Brand: biOrb  
Item Volume: 3490.88  
Unit Count: 1 count  
Surface Recommendation: Ceramic  
Number of Items: 1

**About this item**

- Easily remove water from your biOrb and vacuum waste away from the base
- For use with all biOrb aquariums

**\$12.89**  
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FREE delivery **Wednesday, May 17**. Order within 1 hr 42 mins  
Deliver to Stephanie - Short Hills 07078

**In Stock**  
Qty: 1

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Returns: Eligible for Return, Refund or Replacement within 30 days of receipt

## 7. Live Plant

It helps with the microbiome of the water.

## 8. Do Not Get Gravel

I find it hard to keep the tank clean. The simpler the better. You are not going for the looks of the tank.

## 9. Types of Fishes

A minimum of 9 fishes are needed, of which, 2 must be black, 2 must be white, and the rest can be red and other colors. Inexpensive fishes will do.

I get the albino red eye swordtail for my red fishes, and dalmatian molly for my black and white fishes. Although mostly dalmatian mollies are a mix of black and white, they do come in solid colors. Platy fish can come in red colors too.

## 10. Fish Food

Micro pellets can go into the fish feeder, occasionally, I put a pinch of brine shrimp for the fishes. Feeding the fishes once a day, starting with a small pinch. [Amazon link for fish food](#), [Amazon link for brine shrimp](#)

Hikari Tropical Semi-Floating Micro Pellets Fish Food, 0.77 Oz (22g)

Visit the Hikari Store  
4.7 ★★★★★ 1,565 ratings  
Amazon's Choice for "micro pellets"

**-\$5.81**  
List Price: \$6.45

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Earn 5% back (\$0.29 in rewards) on the amount charged to your Prime Visa.

Brand: Hikari  
Flavor: Other  
Age Range: All Life Stages  
Description: Fish  
Target Species: Fish

Ocean Nutrition Brine Shrimp Plus Flakes 5.5-Ounces (154 Grams) Jar

Brand: Ocean Nutrition  
4.7 ★★★★★ 489 ratings  
Amazon's Choice for "brine shrimp plus flakes"

**\$15.39** (\$2.80 / oz)  
List Price: \$16.99

Earn 5% back (\$0.76 in rewards) on the amount charged to your Prime Visa.  
Not eligible for Amazon Prime. Available with free Prime shipping from other sellers on Amazon.

Size: 5.5 Ounce (Pack of 1)

5.5 Ounce (Pack of 1)	1.2-Ounces (34 Grams, ...)	2.5 oz
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## 11. Steps by Days

1. DAY 1 : Fill the tank with tap or filter water ( Reverse Osmosis type of filtration, not the BRITA type), turn on filter and heater. Add discus buffer daily until pH is 6.8-7.2
2. If you can get an old piece of a fish tank filter from your fish store (for free), it will help to grow bacteria.
3. AFTER day 5-7, you can start adding fishes to the tank, starting from 2-3 at a time.
4. Feeding the fishes once a day, starting with a small pinch. Testing the water daily mainly to monitor the nitrites level. If nitrites show up on the testing strip, it means that you put too much fish food. One way to see if the fishes are full is to observe them while they are eating. If they eat the food and spit them out, that means they are full. It is very crucial to keep the nitrites out of the tank as they are toxins to the fishes. A tank full of nitrites means your fishes are swimming in their wastewater. If nitrites show up, change water frequently and add 15 drops of prime everyday until the tank is free of nitrite.
5. Ideally, you should change 10% of a tank of water weekly or 20% biweekly. I can get by with once in a few months. The water in my tank does evaporate and I just add the reverse osmosis filter water once a week.
6. Order the Seachem Prime to remove the chlorine in your tap water before adding it to the fish tank.