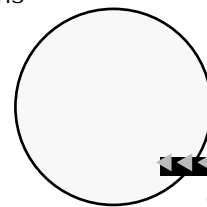


5. Add Plants and Décor

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

6. Install Equipment

Select equipment appropriate for your aquarium size. Read and follow all equipment safety precautions and instructions prior to installation and before plugging anything in.



NOTE: Make a Drip Loop and use a GFCI-protected outlet for safety.

Top View

Install Hood & Light

Follow operation manual(s) provided. Knock-out panels from the rear of the hood to fit around the filter and (if needed) the heater.

Install Adhesive Thermometer

Place on the outside glass of aquarium, opposite the heater.

Install Heater

Install heater inside the aquarium at the water level recommended by the manufacturer.

Let it acclimate to the water temperature for 20 minutes before plugging in.

NOTE: Goldfish usually do not require a heater, but do better with one.

Install Filter

Install according to the manufacturer's instructions.

7. Finish Filling Aquarium

Top off with water treated with AquaSafe®. Water line should be just above the bottom of the aquarium frame, hidden from view.



Use Tetra® SafeStart® before adding any fish.

8. Stop! Before Adding Fish

Check aquarium water temperature (see chart below). Add SafeStart® to stabilize your aquarium. SafeStart®, with beneficial bacteria, reduces dangerous ammonia and nitrite, and allows you to safely add fish immediately.

Check Aquarium Water Temperature	
Fish Type	Water Temperature
Goldfish	Between 68°F - 72°F
Tropical Fish	Between 74°F - 82°F

9. Add Fish/Pets

Fish are pets that need care and attention. They rely on you to keep their environment clean and healthy. See the back panel for a guide on selecting, stocking and adding fish.

10. Sign up for TetraCare®

At www.tetracare.com you will receive FREE advice, support, e-Minders and money-saving offers.

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Daily (1-3 Times)

Feed your fish in small amounts, only what they will eat in about five minutes. NEVER overfeed.

Weekly (Once)

• Add AquaSafe® and water mixture to compensate for any evaporation loss.

• Add EasyBalance® to keep the water chemistry stabilized. This results in a cleaner, healthier environment for your fish.

• Use Jungle® 5-N-1 Test Strips to test your water quality.

• Check over all operations; filter, heater, lighting, etc.

Add EasyBalance® then test for pH, Nitrate, Nitrite, Hardness and Alkalinity.

Monthly (Or As Needed)

• Clean filter thoroughly. Reminder: NEVER use soap, detergents or cleaning agents.

• Use a gravel vacuum to remove 20% of the dirty water. Vacuum gravel to remove any uneaten food and waste buildup.

• Replace the filter cartridge every two to four weeks.

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