

FISH ARRIVAL GUIDE - Part 1

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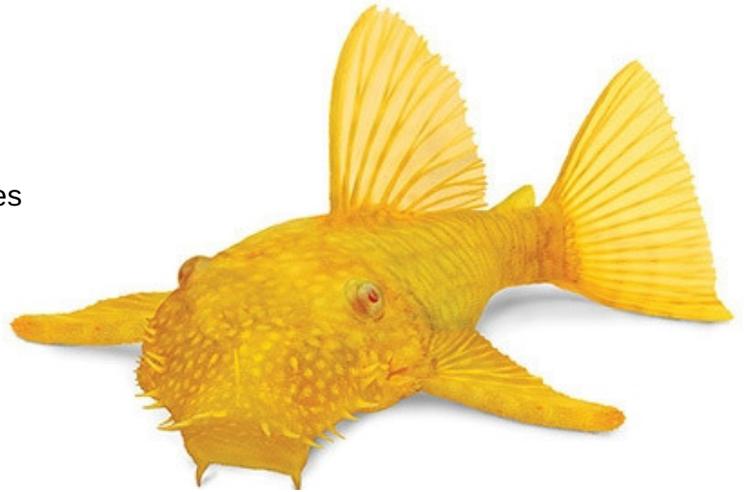
AQUARIUM ESSENTIALS

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- Main Tank
- Filter
- Heater
- Light
- Decorations - including live plants and hiding places
- Thermometer
- Water conditioner
- Food
- Water change/tank cleaning kit
- Water Test Kit
- Consider a smaller Quarantine Tank



Live plants are a beneficial addition to your tank. Not only are they a decorative way to liven up your tank, but they provide shelter, hiding places and a natural environment for your fish. Additionally, live plants can aid the filtration and aeration of your tank and even repel algae. Through photosynthesis, plants provide oxygen for your fish, far superior to the level airstones can provide. Plants can thrive on the chemicals provided by fish waste, absorb harmful chemicals and provide a medium for beneficial bacteria to grow.

The specific requirements of each item will depend on the type of fish you want to keep. Be sure to check our Care Sheets, which go into greater detail about the needs and optimal environments for different fish.

PREPARING YOUR TANK

How do I set a fish tank up?

For best results, your fish tank should be cycled before bringing your fish home. Water cycling involves setting up your tank without any fish in it and monitoring the water until the ammonia and nitrate levels are undetectable. You can monitor and test your water conditions using a Freshwater Test Kit.

Some of the parameters you should monitor are detailed in our next brochure:
Fish Arrival Guide - Part 2.



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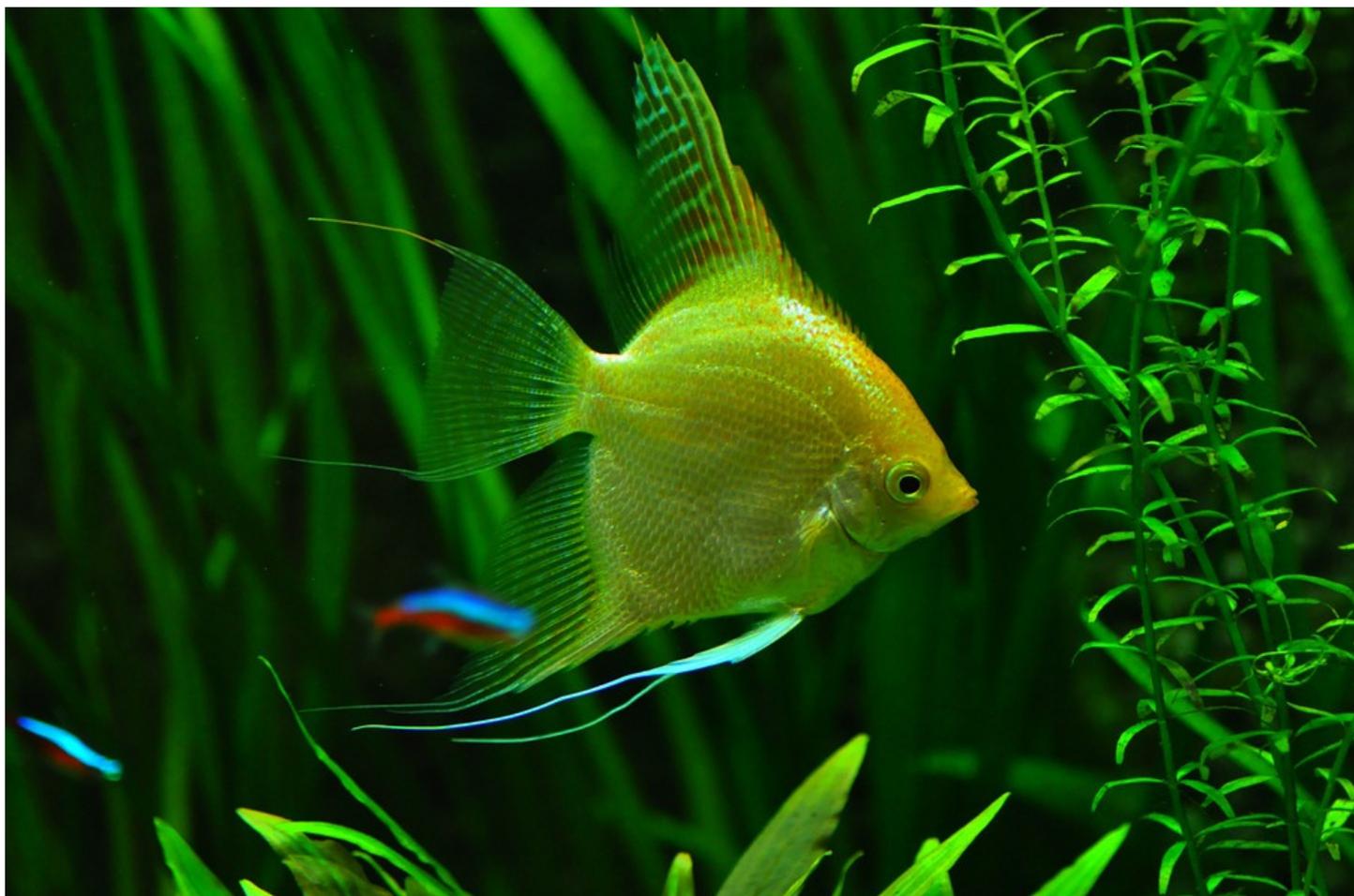
Our Aquarium Guides are here to guide you and give you the inside scoop on taking care of your fish and maintaining your aquarium! Check out the rest of the series below:

Part 1: [Fish Arrival Guide](#)

Part 2: [Aquarium Parameters](#)

Part 3: [Fish Introductions](#) and [Fish Quarantine](#)

Part 4: [Tank Maintenance](#) and [Common Fish Illnesses](#)



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