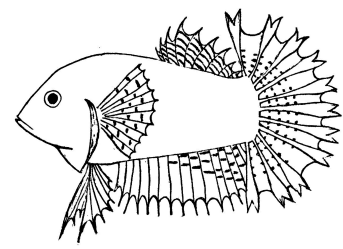


Betta Care Sheet



TAKING CARE OF YOUR BETTA IS AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3 . . . !

1. Twice a day, feed your betta 3 to 5 pellets (5 to 10 half-pellets), one feeding in the morning, and one at night.
2. Once a week, siphon the waste out of the bottom of the tank.
3. Once a month, change the filter cartridge.

That's it! Easy, right?

BETTA QUICK FACTS!

The average betta can live at least two to three years with good care. (The oldest bettas have lived to be upwards of nine years old!)

Betta fish breathe air from the surface of the water using a specialized organ called the labyrinth organ.

Bettas lay their eggs in nests made of bubbles! The male builds the nest and guards the babies while they grow.

REMEMBER!

BETTAS ARE HIGHLY TERRITORIAL FISH! THEY SHOULD LIVE BY THEMSELVES, YOU CANNOT HOUSE MULTIPLE FISH TOGETHER SAFELY.

Betta Water Parameters:

- Use only dechlorinated water!
 - To dechlorinate tap water, allow it to sit in an open container for at least 48 hours.

Ideally...

- pH should be between 6.5 & 7.5
- kH (also known as alkalinity, which measures CaCO₃) should be between 3 & 5
- gH (also known as total dissolved salts) should be between 3 & 5
- Temperature should be between 75F & 80F

FLARE TRAIN YOUR BETTA!

Playing with your betta is fun, and will make your betta healthier! Allow your betta to see itself in a small mirror: it should begin to flare at its reflection. Gradually replace the mirror with your finger; over time, your fish should begin to flare at your finger without prompting!

How to siphon waste of the your tank:

1. Submerge the siphon so it fills with water.
2. Cover one end with your thumb (this should be the lower side that will empty into a bucket).
3. Place the top of the siphon in the tank, and the bottom of the siphon (the end covered with your thumb) in the bucket, which should be lower than the tank.
4. Release your thumb, and the water should be sucked out of the tank and into the bucket!
5. Siphon out all the waste; ideally you will remove about 10% to 20% of the tank water as you do so.
6. Add new water to the tank!