TARARIUM T-230

TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank (Model T-230) Instruction Manual

Model: T-230 | Brand: TARARIUM

Introduction

Thank you for choosing the TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank. This compact aquarium is designed for small aquatic pets such as bettas, tropical fish, shrimp, and goldfish. It features a self-cleaning filter system and an LED plant light to create a healthy and vibrant environment for your aquatic life. This manual provides essential information for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your new fish tank.



Image: The TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank, showcasing its compact design with a betta fish and aquatic plants.

Product Components

The TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank includes the following components:

- Glass Aquarium Tank
- Complete Filter System (integrated)
- LED Lights
- Filter Cotton

Please inspect all components upon unboxing to ensure everything is present and undamaged. If any parts are missing or damaged, please contact customer support.

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Video: This video demonstrates the unboxing and initial inspection of the fish tank components.

Setup Instructions

1. **Clean the Tank:** Rinse the glass tank and all included components with clean water. Do not use soap or detergents, as residues can be harmful to fish.
2. **Position the Tank:** Place the tank on a flat, sturdy surface capable of supporting the weight of the tank when filled with water and decorations. Ensure it is away from direct sunlight and heat sources.
3. **Install Filter Media:** Place the provided filter cotton into the designated filter compartment. Ensure it is properly seated to allow for efficient water flow.
4. **Add Substrate and Decorations:** If desired, add a layer of aquarium-safe substrate (gravel or sand) and decorations. Rinse these thoroughly before adding them to the tank.
5. **Fill with Water:** Slowly fill the tank with dechlorinated water to the recommended level, typically just below the filter outflow. Use a water conditioner to remove chlorine and chloramines.
6. **Connect Power:** Plug in the filter pump and LED light. Ensure all electrical connections are dry and secure.
7. **Cycle the Tank:** Allow the filter to run for at least 24-48 hours before introducing fish. For a healthy aquarium, it is recommended to perform a nitrogen cycle, which can take several weeks. Research "aquarium nitrogen cycle" for more details.



Image: A detailed view of the filter system and LED light assembly within the tank.

Operating Instructions

Filter System

The integrated filter system is designed for continuous operation to maintain water clarity and quality. It creates a self-circulating water flow, reducing the frequency of water changes. Ensure the water level is always sufficient for the pump to operate effectively.



Image: Illustration of the self-circulating filter system, demonstrating water flow and filtration.

LED Plant Light

The LED light provides illumination for viewing and supports photosynthesis for live aquatic plants, contributing to oxygen production in the aquarium. The light can be turned on/off as needed. For optimal plant growth, a consistent light cycle (e.g., 8-10 hours per day) is recommended.



Image: The LED light designed to promote plant growth and provide illumination for the aquarium.

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Video: This video provides a detailed display of the fish tank's features and operation.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance is crucial for the health of your aquatic pets and the longevity of your aquarium.

- **Water Changes:** Perform partial water changes (25-30% of the tank volume) weekly or bi-weekly, depending on the bioload. Always use dechlorinated water that is temperature-matched to the tank water.
- **Filter Cotton Replacement:** The filter cotton should be rinsed weekly during water changes and replaced every 2-4 weeks, or as needed, to maintain optimal filtration. Do not replace all filter media at once, as this can remove beneficial bacteria.
- **Tank Cleaning:** Use an aquarium-safe scraper or magnet cleaner to remove algae from the glass surfaces. The tank's design may make reaching all areas challenging; use appropriate tools for thorough cleaning.

- **Equipment Check:** Periodically check the filter pump and LED light for proper function and any signs of wear.



Image: Replacement filter pads for maintaining the aquarium's filtration system.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Water is cloudy	New tank syndrome (bacterial bloom), overfeeding, insufficient filtration, dirty filter media.	Perform a partial water change. Reduce feeding. Rinse or replace filter cotton. Ensure proper tank cycling.
Filter pump not working or weak flow	Clogged impeller, low water level, power issue, pump malfunction.	Unplug and clean the impeller. Ensure water level is adequate. Check power connection. If still not working, contact support.
Tank is leaking	Seal failure, crack in glass.	Immediately drain the tank to prevent further damage. Inspect for visible cracks or seal issues. Contact customer support for warranty claims.
Excessive noise from filter	Air trapped in pump, impeller obstruction, pump vibration.	Gently shake the filter to release trapped air. Clean the impeller. Ensure the pump is securely mounted and not vibrating against the tank.

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Video: This video demonstrates a glass integrity test for the fish tank.

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Video: This video explains how to verify if the fish tank is made of glass.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	T-230
Brand	TARARIUM
Material	Glass
Tank Volume	2 gallons
Special Feature	Self Cleaning

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Color	Black
Included Components	Complete filter system, LED lights, filter cotton
Package Dimensions	12.36 x 10.24 x 7.76 inches
Item Weight	6.15 pounds

Warranty Information

The TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank comes with a**180-day manufacturer's warranty**. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use. If the product is damaged during transportation or if you encounter any issues within the warranty period, please contact customer service for assistance.
As stated by the manufacturer, the fish tank is made of glass and has undergone a 3-meter drop and shatter test. If you believe the tank is not glass, the manufacturer offers a replacement.

Customer Support

For any questions, concerns, or warranty claims regarding your TARARIUM 2 Gallon Glass Fish Tank, please contact the manufacturer or seller directly through the platform where you purchased the product. Provide your model number (T-230) and purchase details for faster service.
You can typically find contact information on your order details page or by visiting the TARARIUM brand store on Amazon.

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