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Aquariums

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An aquarium lets you bring a small underwater worlds right into your room. While fish are hard to pet or take on a walk, they can be fun to watch, and some can even have babies. Let's learn more!

1. The most popular freshwater aquarium fish is the Guppy.

How long can one Guppy live?

According to PetMD <http://bitly.com/2jB7Air> a guppy can live up to three years. They are an ideal starter fish for any fish tank, and the male can grow a beautiful, flowing tail. Under the right conditions, a female guppy can have live babies every 30 days.

2. What's the biggest fish ever to live in a fish tank?

Can you imagine having a 40 foot long fish in your fish tank? Obviously you'd need a pretty big tank. At

<http://www.seethewild.org/whale-shark-facts/> we learn about the world's biggest fish -- the kind and gentle Whale Shark can grow up to 40 ft. There are several living in giant aquarium tanks around the world. Here's a video <https://youtu.be/lVgirs8vgkg>.



3. What country has the world's biggest aquarium? Take a guess... is it The United States, the United Arab Emirates or Japan? Answer: At <http://bitly.com/2kPMDp5> you learn that the largest fish tank is in The United States. The Georgia Aquarium's tank can hold 6.3 million gallons, which is big enough for two Whale Sharks. It's far bigger than the world's second largest tank in Dubai.

4. How much should I feed my fish? When should I change the water?

At Seaworld <http://bitly.com/2jBpNMV> you learn all sorts of useful things about getting started with an aquarium. You should only feed the fish as much as they can eat in 2 minutes. And you should change 1/4 of the water every month.

5. What about snails? Clams... and Crayfish?

Can they live in your fish tank? The answer is yes, but you have to be careful because they can eat the fish or create other problems. Visit

<http://www.aquariumcarebasics.com/freshwater-snails> to learn more.



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Can you name the fish?

Visit the Australian Fish Museum site, at <http://bitly.com/2keQ3P1> and see how many fish you can identify.



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What to set up your own fish tank? It costs about \$55. Here's a link to a starter set with a 5 gal. tank, filter, LED light and pump. It's called the Marineland ML90609 Portrait Aquarium Kit, and it includes everything but the water and fish.

<http://amzn.to/2kpSnF1>



YouTube Select Aquarium Videos

Here's a set of hand-picked videos that go along with this column.

<http://bitly.com/2jTs7zA>