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# **tideline aquatics** Newsletter

## **Tideline Aquatics Store Hours**

Monday – Friday 11am-7pm  
Saturday 10am-6pm  
Sundays 1pm-5pm

Our new Sunday hours are permanent! We are here for you 7 days a week! Sundays have become quite popular. We do have a smaller staff that day so thank you for being so patient with us. At least there are plenty of creatures to look at until your turn comes up!

## **WATER STORAGE FOR YOUR AQUARIUM:**

Everyone likes to have water on hand for topping off the aquarium and performing partial water changes. The containers you use for holding that water can become established with bacteria that can cause ammonia and/or nitrite spikes within the container if they are not sterilized regularly between every other fill. If your containers have been compromised by bacteria, the water you pour into the aquarium could actually be dangerous to the animals. If you presently have water stored at home, you may want to perform an ammonia and nitrite test on that water. If you do not sterilize your water container, as soon as new water is added, the quality of the water will begin to degrade. To prevent this problem, simply fill your 5 gallon water container with city

tap water and add about ¼ cup of household bleach (non-scented). Cap the container and shake it up well to allow the bleach water to come in contact with all areas of the inside of the container. Leave this solution in the container for about 10-15 minutes then pour all of the bleach water away. Rinse the container well and then refill it with tap water. Now add about 5-6 teaspoons of dechlorinator (amquel, prime, novaqua, etc) to the water in the container to neutralize any remaining chlorine from the bleach. Seal the container and shake it well to allow all areas of the container to come in contact with the dechlorinator solution. Allow it to sit for about 10 minutes, and then discard the water in the container. Leave the container uncovered upside down and allow it to dry for 24 hours. Now you are ready to once again store water safely for your aquarium! Perform this sterilization process at least every other time you refill your container. Also avoid placing your hands in the aquarium and then to your storage water as this will certainly introduce bacteria back to your sterilized container.

## **COOL FRESHWATER FISH TO CHECK OUT – EXPECTED WEDNESDAY!!**

We've talked about adding something different to your aquarium instead of the common stand-bys and this will be a

shipment that should provide your freshwater aquarium with some flare. Check out these beautiful rarely imported freshwater fish we are expecting:

Ctenopoma ansorgii – The Rainbow Ctenopoma



Prefers soft water, peaceful tankmates, plenty of caves and crevices. The Rainbow Ctenopoma reaches about 3.5” in length and does best when kept in pairs.

Parosphromenus alfredi – The Malaysian Croaking Gourami



Found in the peat swamps of Malaysia, this incredible miniature gourami prefers soft water. These have been acclimated to a pH of 7.0 and are eating frozen foods (according to our supplier). This fish is seldom found in the aquarium trade! P. alfredi are full size at 1.5” and should be kept in a well planted aquarium for best results as they are easily intimidated by more aggressive tankmates.

Firecracker Rasbora or Galaxy Rasbora



Now if you want a new fish, this one was just discovered in August of 2006. This is a tiny fish reaching anywhere from 1.5cm to 3cm in length

There is little known about this new fish but from what we have read, it prefers soft water with extremely peaceful tankmates like other microrasboras, cardinal tetras, rummynose tetras, etc. These fish require well oxygenated tanks with clean water low in organics. If kept in schools, the males have been known to show some sparring activity that can lead to split fins but no real damage appears to occur. Feeding them may be tricky as they are so small. Perhaps Cyclops, Bloodworms, Tubifex and frozen baby brine shrimp. It is a new fish to Tideline as well so we will learn more about them once they arrive. These fish are not cheap if you measure the price with their minute size.

## LOCAL CLUBS / ORGANIZATIONS

Have a reef aquarium? Check out our local reef club at: [www.charlestonreefers.org](http://www.charlestonreefers.org)

Love water gardens and koi? Visit the Charleston Showa Koi Club website at: [www.charlestonshowakoiclub.org](http://www.charlestonshowakoiclub.org)

## Fish of the Week



SIXLINE WRASSE – PSEUDOCHEILINUS HEXATAENIA

One of our super coupon deals this week is the Sixline Wrasse. This is not only a fairly peaceful fish but it happens to be an extremely hardy marine fish. Sixline wrasses reach only about 3” in length making them a good candidate even for smaller marine aquariums. In the reef, sixline wrasses have been known to prey on pesky flatworms! Sixline wrasses can become territorial toward other wrasses if

introduced after the sixline has become established, otherwise this fish is peaceful. Just print off the coupon at: [www.tidelineaquatics.net](http://www.tidelineaquatics.net)



### **Pond Tour 2007**

### **Wanted: Local Garden Ponds and Koi Ponds**

Do you or your neighbor have a garden pond in their yard? The Charleston Showa Koi Club is already getting things together for Pond Tour 2007 and they are looking for new ponds to add to the tour. If you, a friend or neighbor has a garden pond and may be interested in including it in the pond tour, please contact me (Chris) at Tideline Aquatics. You can reach me by phone at (843) 744-8551 and by email at: [chris@tidelineaquatics.net](mailto:chris@tidelineaquatics.net) Do not be shy, we will come out and view your pond to see if it meets the requirements of the pond tour. It is a big event that will cost you nothing but your time the day of the tour. A portion of every pond tour ticket sale goes to the John Ancrum SPCA.

## **What's New This Week**

### **FEEDERS: (ARRIVING WEDNESDAY)**

Live Black Worms, Crayfish, Rosy Reds, Guppies, Feeder Goldfish, Fiddler Crabs.

## **EXTREMELY COOL FRESHWATER FISH EXPECTED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:**

Ctenopoma ansorgii, Rineloricaria lanceolata Catfish, Rineloricaria lepidogaster 'Red' Catfish, Steatocranus iryinei Buffalo Heads, New!! Galaxy (Firecracker) Rasboras, Pairs of Taeniacara candidi Dwarf Cichlids, Wild Collected Uaru amphiacanthiodes, Pelvicachromis taeniatus 'Nigerian Red' Kribensis, Apistogramma Mcmasteri 'Double Red' Dwarf Cichlid Pairs, Apistogramma cacatiodes 'Triple Red' Dwarf Cichlid Pairs, Parosphromenus alfredi Mini Gouramis, Baby Acanthicus Adonis Plecostomus, Teleocichla monogramma.

## **MORE FRESHWATER FISH EXPECTED ON WEDNESDAY:**

Red Tuxedo Swordtails, Candy Swordtails, Premium Assortment African Cichlids, Red Angelfish (new color variant!), Large Black Ruby Barbs, Super Male Longfin Rosy Barbs, Large Male Show Bettas, Managuense Jaguar Cichlids, German Blue Rams, M/L German Gold Rams, Pink Kissing Gouramis, Freshwater South American Stingrays, Dragonfish Gobies, Elephant Nose, Green Scatophagus, Freshwater Flounders, Assorted Premium Platy Mix, Otocinclus Algae Eaters, Medium Bala Sharks.

## **LIVE AQUATIC AQUARIUM PLANTS (ARRIVED ON FRIDAY):**

Medium Amazon Sword Plants, Pygmy Chain Swords (excellent groundcover plant), Micro Sword Plugs, Crinum Natans Onions (Rare!), Crinum Calamistratum (Rare!) Onions, Aponogeton ulvaceous Sprouting Bulbs, Ammania Bunches, Bacopa Bunches, Purple Cabomba Bunches, Red Narrow Leaf Ludwigia Bunches, Moneywort Bunches, Potamogeton gayi Bunches, Water Wisteria Bunches, Java Fern on Large Driftwood (awesome!).

## **SALTWATER FISH (ARRIVED TUESDAY!):**

Medium Tank Bred Seahorses, Shark Eggs, Small Clown Triggerfish (Indian Ocean), Foxface Rabbitfish (Bali), Yellow Eye Kole Tangs (Hawaii), Sixline Wrasses (Fiji), Purple

Basslets (Indian Ocean), Eyelash Blennies (Indian Ocean), Algae Blennies (Indian Ocean), Hifin Yashia Goby (Indian Ocean), Yellow Citron Clown Gobies (Indian Ocean), Green Mandarin Dragonettes (Indian Ocean), Male Red Lyretail Anthias (Fiji), Bluespot Jawfish (Sea of Cortez), Large Clown Tangs (Sri Lanka).

### **SALTWATER FISH (EXPECTED ON WEDNESDAY):**

Coral Beauty Angelfish (Indian Ocean), Ocellaris Clownfish (Philippines), True Percula Clownfish (Indian Ocean), Green Chromis, Blue Damsel fish, Domino Damsel fish, Four Stripe Damsel fish, Yellow Tail Blue Damsel fish, Scooter Blennies (Indian Ocean), Clown Gobies (Indian Ocean), Diamond Sifter Gobies (Indian Ocean), Black Volitan Lionfish (Indian Ocean), Fumanchu Lionfish (Indian Ocean), Fuzzy Dwarf Lionfish (Hawaii), Dragon Wrasses (Indian Ocean), Blue Jaw Triggerfish (Indian Ocean), Orange & Purple Fairy Wrasses (Indian Ocean), Sixline Wrasses (Indian Ocean), Purple Head Fairy Wrasses (Indian Ocean), Red Fairy Wrasses (Indian Ocean), Royal Grammas (Caribbean), Blue Reef Chromis (Caribbean), Pearly Jawfish (Caribbean), Neon Wrasses (Caribbean), Neon Gobies (Caribbean).

### **SALTWATER INVERTEBRATES (ARRIVED TUESDAY!):**

Pink Margarita Snails, Nerite Snails, Cerith Snails, Mexican Turbo Snails, Green Pistol Shrimp (only 5 available), Pink Feather Dusters.

### **SALTWATER INVERTEBRATES (EXPECTED ON WEDNESDAY!):**

Pink Orange Tubastrea Corals, Short Spine Sea Urchins, Pin Cushion Sea Urchins, Pencil Urchins, Atlantic Turbin Snails, Peppermint Shrimp, Cleaner Shrimp, Blue/Green Ricordea Polyps, Atlantic Feather Dusters, Pink Cucumbers, Sally Lite Foot Crabs, Atlantic Scarlet Redleg Reef Hermits, Green Emerald Crabs, Sand Sifting Cucumbers, Arrow Crabs, Flowering Rock Anemones, Purple Condylactus Anemones.

### **Check out the new customer photo gallery on our website!!!!**



PHOTO FROM OUR CUSTOMER GALLERY OF SAM AND ANDREWS CLOWNFISH AND BUBBLE ANEMONE

If you have some good photos of your fish, reef, pond or aquarium, please email them to the webmaster at: [brian@prybo.com](mailto:brian@prybo.com)