

# tideline newsletter tideline aquatics

## Tideline Aquatics Store Hours

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

**CONGRATS TO NEW  
CUSTOMER JOE GORIN & HIS  
FAMILY FOR WINNING THE  
TIDELINE AQUATICS  
AQUARIUM GIVE-A-WAY!!**

## PREPARING YOUR POND FOR SPRING!!



The annoying and unusually extreme winter weather is just about to head out for the season and if you are like us... THANK GOODNESS! This has been a rough winter for your pond and pond fish as well. Deluges of rain, windstorms, snow (who'da thunk lol) and bitter cold temperatures have taken their whips on our ponds. Take these measures now to prevent some

major headaches when the warmer weather moves in. You and your fish will appreciate the rewards of preparing the pond for spring.

**1. Debris Removal** – Dig out your pond net and dip out ALL leaf debris, fallen tree branches and dead plant material from your pond water. Once the weather warms, if these organic materials are left in the water you are guaranteed a major algae bloom!



**2. Filtration System Cleaning** – Within the water lines of your filtration system and settled inside your UV Clarifier is pond muck. Disconnect water lines and flush high-pressure water through them. Flush the muck outside of the pond! Remove the lines from your UV (unplug it first!) and flush water through your UV housing. Shine a flashlight into your UV to see if the protective glass quartz sleeve is clean. If not, you will need to disassemble the unit and clean the glass sleeve. Test your UV lamps to ensure it is still working (never look directly into a burning UV lamp as it will damage your eyes). If your lamp has been burning for 12 months, you should replace it with a new lamp. Replace your pond filters mechanical filter pads with new

ones. Flush out the main pond filter to remove muck trapped inside. The bio-media of your pond filter



should also be cleaned. When cleaning bio-media, you should use either well water, pond water or dechlorinated tap water to flush out trapped pond muck. It does not need to be spotless but you should try and remove the majority of organic material. It is also time to replace the activated carbon in your filter. Fresh carbon will remove organics, discolorations and odors from the pond water.

**3. Partial Water Change** – Before even starting this, ensure you have enough water conditioner to treat the new water you will be putting back into the pond. Using your pond water pump, remove a third to half of the pond water. Water your garden plants, grass and flower beds where needed using this pond water. While the water level is low, cut away any dead plant material in your dormant water garden plants. This is also a good time to remove any remaining leaves you may have missed. If you are using well water that is safe for your fish (no sulfur smell and the water has been tested to be safe for your fish) you can refill the pond slowly. If you are using



tap water, you can place the hose in the pond and add dechlorinator (water conditioner that removes chlorine, chloramines and ammonia) at

15 minutes intervals to prevent killing your fish with untreated tap water. **DO NOT PLACE THE HOSE IN THE POND AND WALK AWAY!** If you forget, you will have no fish left alive!! After refilling, get your filtration system running again.

**4. Bacterial Pond Additives** – Now that you have cleaned your pond, you should begin adding bacterial pond additives to the water. These products contain bacteria that break down any remaining pond muck and they assist in restarting your ponds biological filter. We suggest adding these products about once per week throughout the spring and summer season. Bacterial pond additives help to maintain low organic levels thus reducing algae and they also break down ammonia and nitrite produced by the fish.

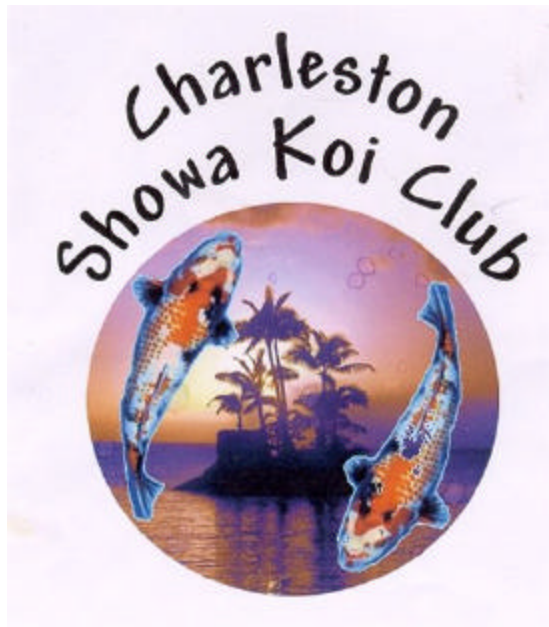


**AQUALIFE WATER GARDEN CLEANER!**

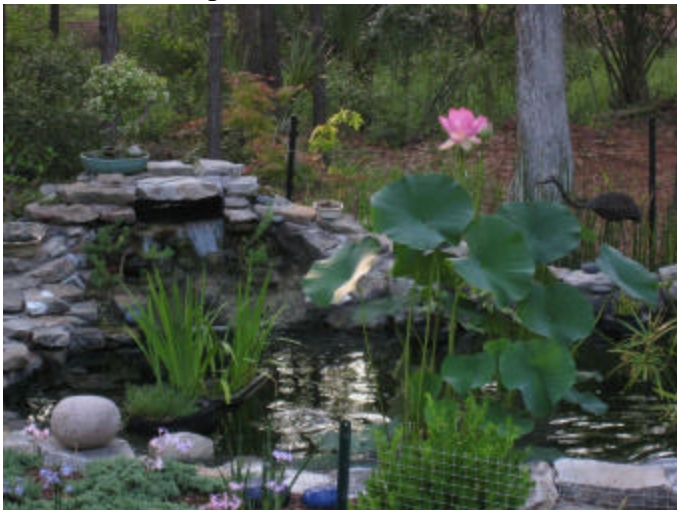
**5. Test The Water**– Your work is complete except for one more step. You should test the pond water for pH, ammonia, nitrite and carbonate hardness (KH). Don't forget this simple step after all of your work getting you pond in shape for spring. There should be no ammonia or nitrite. The pH should be between 7.0 -8.0 and the carbonate hardness should be at least 3 degrees KH to prevent the pH from suddenly dropping to dangerously low levels. If your water tests out of acceptable levels, come see us for guidance on correcting the water issues while your fish are still somewhat dormant.

Most pond water is now warm enough to start feeding your fish a wheat germ pond food. During these colder times, a once per day feeding will suffice. Your fish will be ready for a clean pond and some good food after this winter!!

## PUT YOUR POND ON TOUR THIS YEAR!!



The Charleston Showa Koi Club is looking for new ponds to add to the 2010 Pond Tour. Whether it be a pond with plants and goldfish or a koi pond, they would love to hear from you! This is a wonderful event each year with local folks and out of towners that enjoy viewing other peoples ponds. If you would like to have your pond placed on their tour, please contact them: Email: [president@charlestonshowkoiclub.org](mailto:president@charlestonshowkoiclub.org) Or you can call: Robert Lewis (843) 830-7677 and he will direct you to the appropriate members of the pond tour committee.



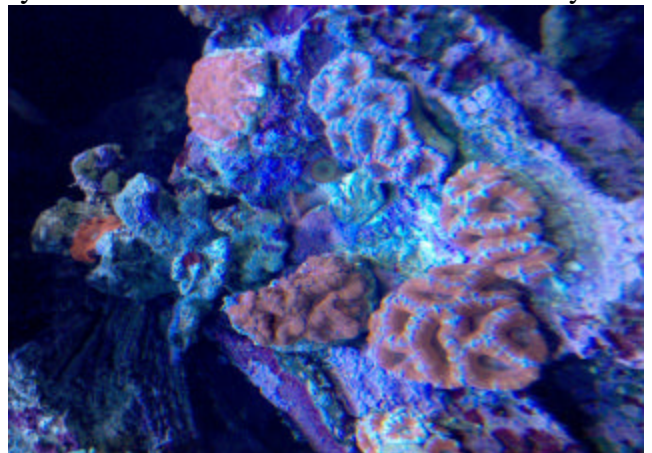
## AUSTRALIAN ACANTHASTREA CORALS ARE IN STOCK NOW!!

Some of the hardiest and most dazzling corals come from the reefs of Australia. We just

received a lovely mix of *Acanthastrea lordhowensis* corals that were hand picked by Justin during his recent visit to wholesalers in



Los Angeles. These are small but not tiny colonies in mixed colors that are fully expanded and feeding. We also have a few medium sized pieces that are also incredible. Acan corals do not require extreme lighting to survive though they will survive under most any reef lighting systems. These corals love to be fed and they are

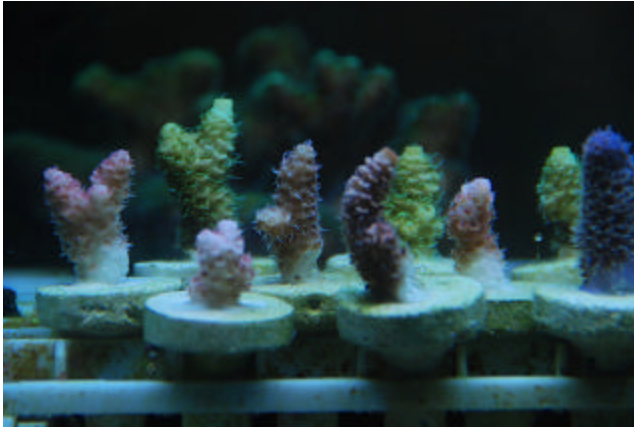


also photosynthetic animals. What's even best is that we have these on our website coupons this week at deals that cannot be beaten by anyone in town! You will not want to miss out on adding one of two of these beauties to your reef aquarium.

## FRIDAY FRAG DAY!!



We have 60 assorted frags arriving this Friday! This assortment includes LPS coral species, SPS coral species, soft coral species, zoanthid species and palythoa species. Even though our new tank



has not arrived yet, we went ahead with our first order to get you good folks excited about coral frags. These are all species that have been out of the “wild collected” coral chain for several years. This means you will be buying corals that have been raised in captivity – not wild collected corals that are just cut up and glued to stones like most retail and on-line stores do it! The prices will start at \$24.00 each for many species! They arrive this Friday!!!!

## **NEW GERMAN STENDKER DISCUS SHIPMENT IS HERE!!**



Finally the weather gave us a break enough to get our new German Stendker Discus shipment here safely. We received a total of 36 absolutely perfect fish in 12 varieties. The colors are striking and the quality is unsurpassed. These fish will require a 3 day quarantine period but you are welcome to come and check them out prior to them going up for sale. Remember that discus are peaceful fish that require soft warm water, regular partial water changes and a mixed diet of dry and frozen foods to remain healthy.



## **NEW SICCE VOYAGER STREAM PUMPS ARE NOW IN STOCK AT TIDELINE!**





**NEW SICCE CO2 SYSTEMS FOR PLANTED TANKS!** Now you can produce CO2 for your planted aquarium without a bulky CO2 tank and regulator. This new system is incredible!! We installed it on our show planted tank and the results are already stunning. This will likely be one of the hottest new additions from the Sicce line for freshwater planted tanks. The results are right in the store where you can see them!

**NEW SICCE SYNCRA SILENT WATER PUMPS ARE NOW IN STOCK AT TIDELINE!**



**NEW! NEW! NEW! FROM THE MANUFACTURER OF INSTANT OCEAN SALT MIX COMES NEW MARINE FISH FOODS, MEDS, WATER CONDITIONERS AND REEF ADDITIVES FOR YOUR AQUARIUM!!**

**SIGN UP!!** 

Go to [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com) and create your own personal account. It's FREE!!!! Then find us by searching for: TidelineAquatic (notice there is no "s" on the end of aquatic. Sign up to "follow" us and even add the option to receive tweets via text messages to your cell phone. With your twitter account you will receive notifications of livestock shipments, product specials and best of all "twitter only" super specials sent out randomly to our twitter followers.

**Also, print off coupons from our website for even more savings when you shop with us!!**

*the color on these is vivid!  
this fish is an excellent scavenger and completely peaceful with other fish!*

**SMALL CLOWN LOACH**  
**\$3.99 each OR 4/\$14.00**

MUST PRESENT COUPON FOR DISCOUNT - EXPIRES 02.02.2010



*wonderful color - a hardy dwarf angelfish  
these are a steal at this price!*

**LARGE FLAME ANGELFISH**  
**\$39.99 each**

MUST PRESENT COUPON FOR DISCOUNT - EXPIRES 02.02.2010



*these are hand-selected specimens from our supplier*

**AUSTRALIAN ACANTHASTREA LORDHOWENSIS CORALS**  
**SMALL \$79.99**  
**MEDIUM \$109.99**

MUST PRESENT COUPON FOR DISCOUNT - EXPIRES 02.02.2010



*get a head start on cleaning up your pond!  
breaks down pond muck on bottom & in filters*

**AQUA LIFE SUPPORT WATER GARDEN CLEANER**  
**25% OFF**

MUST PRESENT COUPON FOR DISCOUNT - EXPIRES 02.02.2010



Just a few examples of the specials available on our website coupons this week!!

**Don't forget to show your military ID at the check-out counter! Tideline Aquatics now offers a discount to both active and retired military persons with a military ID!!**

## **WHAT'S NEW AT [tideline aquatics?](#)**

### **ON THE MENU THIS WEEK:**

Feeder Guppies, Feeder Ghost Shrimp, Feeder Goldfish, Feeder Rosey Reds, Feeder Black Worms (LOW), Feeder Crayfish (BACK IN STOCK), Feeder Fiddler Crabs AND LIVE BRINE SHRIMP!!

**WE ARE NOW STOCKING LIVE BRINE SHRIMP AT \$1.75 PER PORTION! AN EXCELLENT TREAT FOOD FOR MOST AQUARIUM FISH!! REMEMBER THAT NO FISH WILL SURVIVE ON BRINE SHRIMP ALONE – A MIXED DIET IS ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTH OF YOUR FISH!**

### **FRESHWATER:**

**Snakeskin x Green Turquoise Discus, Snakeskin Pigeon Blood Discus, Red Pigeon Blood Discus, Silver Pigeon Blood Discus, Blue Diamond Discus, Brilliant Turquoise Discus, Blue Cobalt Discus, Marlboro Red Discus, Blue Snakeskin Discus, Common Pigeon Blood Discus, Red Scribbled Discus, Tank Bred Stendker Tefe Discus, Green Neon Swordtails, Red Velvet Swordtails, Assorted Platys, Black Lyretail Mollies, Tiger Barbs, Wild Caught Apistogramma cacatuoides, German Blue Rams, M/L Longfin Albino Bushynose Plecostomus, Emperor L204 Pleco, Columbian Zebra L129 Pleco, Green Royal Pleco, Assorted Mystery Snails, Japanese Trapdoor Snails, Small Clown Loaches, Black Kuhli Loaches, Albino Black Sharks, Medium Fire Eels, Tiretrack Eels, Jumbo Silver Arowana, Very Rare and Newly Discovered Pelican Knifefish (Compsaraia samueli), Cardinal Tetras, Marble Hatchetfish, Silver Hatchetfish, Black Neon Tetras, Flower Shrimp, Japonica Shrimp, Geophagus surnamensis Eartheaters, Geophagus balzani Eartheaters, Geophagus jurupari Eartheaters, New Rabbit Snails, New Tiger Nerite Snails, New Zebra Nerite Snails, Common Nerite Snails, Planiceps Shovelnose Catfish, Julli Corydoras Catfish, Albino Corydoras Catfish, Pygmy Corydoras Catfish, Metae Corydoras Catfish, Sabertooth Barracuda, Prehistoric Monsterfish, Male Bettas, Crowntail Male Bettas, Blue Gouramis, Gold Gouramis, Gold Honey Gouramis, Opaline Gouramis, Giant Danios, Threadfin Rainbowfish, Cherry Barbs, Gold**

Barbs, Red Chromides, Curvicep Dwarf Cichlids, Tinanti Buffalo Head Goby Cichlids, Otocinclus Dwarf Algae Eaters, Albino Bushynose Plecos, Bristlenose Plecos, Gold Nugget Plecos, Common Plecos, Rubber Plecos, Green Phantom Plecos, Jumbo Daddy Clown Loaches, Golden Dojo Loaches, Elipsifer Eels, Medium Silver Arowanas, African Butterflyfish, South American Dragonfish Gobies, Double Trunk Elephantnose, White Cheek Gobies, Figure Eight Puffers, African Ropefish, Red Fantails, Black Moors, Mixed Chinese Goldfish, Tank Bred Neon Tetras, Red Serpae Tetras, Dwarf African Frogs, Red Cherry Shrimp, Glo-Fish.

These are just the newest arrivals to Tideline. We have so many more species in stock from our previous orders!!

### **LIVE AQUARIUM PLANTS:**

Jumbo Anubias hastifolia, Dwarf Lily Bulbs, Aponogeton ulvaceus, Bacopa, Red Narrow Leaf Ludwigia, Contortion Vallesneria, Anubias nana, Ammania, Cabomba, New Hydro Hottoniflora, Banana Plants, Dwarf Sagittaria, Amazon Swords, Nesaea, Blyxa auberti, Water Sprite, New Myriophyllum matogrossense.

### **SALTWATER:**

Medium and Large Koran Angelfish, Royal Grammas, Maroon Clownfish, Tomato Clownfish, Neon Velvet Damsel, Green Clown Gobies, Dragon Sifter Gobies, Mandarin Dragonets, Scissortail Gobies, Yellow Watchman Goby, Eclipse Hogfish, Blonde Naso Tangs, Bursa Triggerfish, Rectangulus Triggerfish, Sri Lanka Red & White Social Fairy Wrasse, Dragon Wrasses, Large Sixline Wrasses, Pearly Jawfish, Assorted Damsel, Black Volitan Lionfish, Fumanchu Lionfish, Fuzzy Dwarf Lionfish, Cultured Blue Regal Tangs, Blue Spotted Jawfish, Arabian Pseudochromis, Fridmani Pseudochromis, Zebra Moray Eel, Snowflake Moray Eels, Blue Spot Watchman Gobies, Red Coral Clown Gobies, Humu Triggerfish, Clown Triggerfish, Niger Triggerfish, Golden Heart Triggerfish, XL Rectangulus Triggerfish, African Blue Stripe Pipefish, Coral Beauty Angels, Flame Angels, Potters Angels, Bicolor Blennies, Midas Blennies, Tank Raised Clarki Clownfish, Tank

Bred Ocellaris Clownfish, Red Chromis, Fire Damselfish, Yashia Haze Gobies, Purple Firefish Gobies, Green Wolf Eel, Bicolor Basslets, Purple Basslets, Foxface Rabbitfish, Striped Squirrelfish, Blue & Red Fairy Wrasses, Christmas Wrasses, Banana Wrasses.

**INVERTEBRATES:**

Beautiful Bubble Anemones, Bumble Bee Shrimp, Acanthastrea lordhowensis Corals, Red Hairy Hermits (not for reefs), Anemone Shrimp, Red Fire Shrimp, Orange Fungia Plate Corals, Australian Mycedium Elefantosus Coral (awesome), Favites Brain Corals, Platygyra Worm Brain Corals, Pocilopora Corals, Acropora Corals, Toadstool Leather Corals, Purple People Eater Polyps, Sinularis Leather Corals, Rasta Leather Corals, Red Chili Corals, Sinularis Leather Corals, Wellsophylia Corals, Emerald Crabs, Algae Hermits, Fancy Mushroom Rocks, Green Palythoas, Algae Eating Snails, Tiger Cowrie Snail (not for reefs), Nassarius Snails, Peppermint Shrimp, Cleaner Shrimp, Sexy Shrimp, Coral Banded Shrimp, Reef Lobsters, Assorted Reef Starfish, Brittle Starfish, Serpent Starfish, Caribbean Cultured Live Rock, Fiji Live Rock (all live rock is fully cured and safe for your aquarium).

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