



by Tropica

Rich tropical pond with great water depth. We see a colour play in the selection of plants and the theme is a place of calmness, darkness and some mystique. Because of the great water depth very little light reaches the bottom. Vesuvius is set up in a quiet background so that its characteristic growth does itself justice. The background falls from left to right in a mixture of colours and leaf shapes. Fresh green plants decorate the middle and the foreground and create a nice contrast to the dark roots. A mixture of the dark "Spiky" moss and *Utricularia*. The aquarium is intended for neon fish and other shining shoal fish.

Tips! Wood roots release acids into the water that colour it yellow. This can be avoided by keeping the roots under water before using them in the aquascape- and afterwards, by frequent water changes.

Note: Plant A on the drawing is *Echinodorus uruguayensis* which is no longer produced by Tropica. Can be replaced by *Echinodorus bleheri*.

Technique

Volume:	360 L
Light:	T5 8 x 28W
Gravel:	Gravel 0.8-1.2 mm
Filter:	Eheim Professional II
CO2:	25 mg/L
Fertiliser (weekly):	60 ml Premium Fertiliser + 120 ml Specialised
Maintenance (hours per week):	½-1

Plants used in this layout

B)	<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i> 'Rosanervig'	(050B)	5 pcs.
C)	<i>Heteranthera zosterifolia</i>	(096 TC)	5 pcs.
D)	<i>Nymphoides hydrophylla</i> 'Taiwan'	(041B)	3 pcs.
E)	<i>Hygrophila lancea</i> 'Araguaia'	(051B TC)	5 pcs.
F)		()	3 pcs.
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G)	<i>Echinodorus</i> 'Reni'	(072D)	3 pcs.
H+)	<i>Pogostemon deccanensis</i>	(053F)	3 pcs.
J)	<i>Hydrocotyle tripartita</i>	(039B)	3 pcs.
K)		()	4 pcs.
K)	<i>Ranunculus inundatus</i>	(022C TC)	4 pcs.
L)	<i>Taxiphyllum</i> sp. 'Flame Moss'	(003H TC)	5 pcs.
M)		()	2 pcs.
N)	<i>Eleocharis parvula</i>	(132C)	20 pcs.