

Brackish Water Conditions



Mono Argent



Mudskipper



Archer Fish

Distinctive Varieties

A number of striking and unique species are suited to "Brackish" water.

This water type is sometimes ignored by the aquarium enthusiast, but the range of fish available and their striking nature makes a brackish tank an interesting addition to the hobbyist's collection.

Water Quality

Brackish water requires a pH of around 7.0 – 8.0 and a specific gravity of around 1.012.

NOTE: Artificial sea salt should be used to achieve the desired salinity.

Most available species need the temperature at around 22°C - 26°C.

Suitable Species

Fish suited to these tanks include the Mono Argent and Mono Sebae, both are showy, active aquarium fish with a beautiful shiny silver colour. A number of rainbows such as the Celebes rainbow which hails from Indonesia, and the Madagascar rainbow, are also suited to brackish aquaria as are Bumblebee gobies.

Australian native species which also inhabit brackish tanks quite comfortably include the Mudskipper, Mangrove Jack, Archer Fish, Puffers and the stunning Red Scat. Most plant species do not survive well in this environment, exceptions are Java moss, Java fern and mangroves.

The humble Molly is also ideally suited to brackish water, and will make a colourful addition to your brackish display (see [Molly Care Sheet](#) for more information).



Indian Glass Fish



Madagascar Rainbow



Celebes Rainbow



Red Scat