

# DECEMBER NEWS

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*We can't start a Christmas Newsletter without thanking all of our customers for your continued support this year and we look forward to supplying you with all your fishkeeping needs in the coming year.*

*The volcano eruption in Bali has played havoc with flights in and out but has resulted in only a minor decrease in numbers and variety of marine fish for us as we have been able to source stock from other suppliers. Hopefully things are back to normal now.*

*On the following pages we have quite a few Christmas gift suggestions. If you are in the market for a new tank setup PLEASE order early or use our layby to ensure you are not disappointed this Christmas.*

*We wish you all the very best for the festive season and the New Year and hope Santa brings you something fishy. Cheers from Ian, Carl, Tom, David, Benny and the Nielsen family.*

## CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR TRADING

*This year we will be **CLOSED** on:*

**CHRISTMAS DAY (FRIDAY)**

**BOXING DAY (SATURDAY)**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY (FRIDAY)**

*but will trade as normal on **ALL** other days from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.*

## NEW! REAL REEF SOLUTIONS

We are excited to now have in stock the Real Reef Solutions range of 'live' rock, the most realistic we have ever seen. Real Reef is made of 100% natural eco friendly green materials and is composed of several different types of mineral aggregates and sand. It is high in calcium carbonate, with amounts in the 82-85% range. Unlike coral

skeleton which is primarily calcium carbonate, Real Reef contains a variety of essential trace elements and minerals. This remaining 15-18% consists of minerals and trace elements such as magnesium, strontium and iron. Because of the high calcium and pH levels it is not recommended for freshwater tanks, with the possible exception of some cichlid tanks.



**BASE**



**SHELF**

It takes over 13 steps to manufacturer Real Reef Rock and every piece is unique and different, so no

two pieces are the same. Real Reefs multiple ingredients are bonded together with natural calcium based binders; no chemical or synthetic epoxies or glue are used. The beautiful shades of purple, pink and red are permanent and come from a water based non-toxic natural pigment injected and applied in multiple processes. Of course another advantage of this artificial live rock is that there are no unwanted 'hitch-hikers' present.



**BRANCH**

There are three types of rock available (pictured above), all of which are sold on weight:  
Base Rock \$21.99 per kg.  
Shelf Rock \$25.99 per kg.  
Branch Rock \$39.99 per kg.

# GIFT SUGGESTIONS



**PETWORX SCENIC 450**  
This tank is 436 x 295 x 465, holds 40 litres and is supplied with 4w light and top filter. Available in either black or white. \$139.99.

Great gift!  
Plenty of other models to choose from.



ON THE WISH LIST OF MOST REEF KEEPERS

DON'T FORGET WE HAVE GIFT VOUCHERS FOR ANY AMOUNT AVAILABLE WITH NO EXPIRY DATE!

## SENEYE REEF

This clever little item constantly monitors your tank for pH, free ammonia, temperature, water level and light levels and, when connected to a computer, can email if there is a problem! How clever is that? Works for freshwater or marine tanks \$188.00.



**AQUA ONE AQUAFILL**  
This automatically tops up salt water or fresh water tanks via a reservoir and float valves. Can be used in a sump or directly in the aquarium. Especially handy in the hot weather when there is a lot of evaporation. \$107.99



We have lots of ornaments to suit all budgets – ranging from \$100 large helicopters & two piece ships down to a few \$\$\$



**AQUA ONE DIAL A DIET DIGITAL FEEDER**  
Easy to use battery operated feeder, can feed 5 times per day at times of your choice with up to 3 portions per feed. Different portion sizes can be chosen for different times. Holds 60g of fish food. Feeds flake or pellets up to 3mm size. Manual mode for test feeding or extra feeding. 2 x AA batteries required (not included). Every tank should have one for over the holidays. \$50.99



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Also available in black

## AQUAREEF SETUPS

Available in two sizes, these setups come with either black or white cabinets and include a cabinet, sump, return pump, filter sock and holder, heater, skimmer and a light. They are ideal as a marine starter tank, species tank, seahorses and more.

90 Litre \$550.

120 Litre \$650.

Order or Layby Early to avoid missing out!

## MARINA BETTA KITS

These 2lt 15cm cube tanks include colourful gravel, food, conditioner and a range of decorative backgrounds. \$25.00. Fish is extra. Great for kids, grandma, the office etc. etc.



## AQUA ONE BATTERY OPERATED AIR PUMP

Aqua One 150 Single outlet air pumps come supplied with airstone and airline and require two Size D batteries (not included) to run. One of these pumps could be the difference between life and death for your fish in the event of a power outage. Buy one for each of your tanks. Great insurance at only \$15.50!



## AQUA ONE WATER LEAK ALARM

The Aqua One Water Leak Alarm will trigger if water contacts the sensor pins on the underside of the alarm so leaks will be detected as soon as they occur preventing major damage to cabinets, floors and other household furnishings. Can be placed on the floor, inside the cabinet for sump leaks or on top of the aquarium to signal overfilling. At only \$24.95 this is a must have!



## ECO UNDERWATER LED WITH AIR

These trendy submersible LED lights have been very popular. They are available in green and red (very Christmassy) and have a built in air stone for a great decorative effect in your tank. \$43.90



## AQUA ONE GROUNDING PROBE

The Aqua One Grounding Probe is primarily designed to safely eliminate stray voltage and current from aquarium water. Only when connected to a power outlet with a safety switch (GFCI or RCD), will the Aqua One Grounding Probe also ground any leaking current resulting from damaged submersed electrical devices. Stay safe this Christmas. \$30.95.





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## PLANT OF THE MONTH

Since it is almost Christmas, we are offering all of our **bunch plants** on



special. With an influx of visitors into most of our homes during the festive season, now is the perfect time

to plant up your freshwater tank. Alternatively, you may be at a loose end between Christmas and New Year and this is also a great opportunity to work on your tank (we will be open every day except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day if you need supplies).

Bunch Plants are normally \$6.50 per bunch.

**DECEMBER OFFER:  
CHOOSE ANY 10 BUNCH PLANTS  
FOR \$52.00.**

## FRESHWATER FISH OF THE MONTH –

### HEAD & TAIL LIGHT TETRAS.

These South American tetras would be a great addition to your newly planted tropical aquarium. They are



extremely peaceful and very easy to feed,

accepting almost any flake, small pellets and small frozen or live foods. The maximum size is 4.5 cm although usually a bit smaller. The head and abdomen are a golden silver colour with the rest of the body almost clear and the red spot on the eye and before the tail gives them the Head and Tail Light name. As with many tetras, these will display best when kept in a school of at least six. Regularly \$4.70 each.

**THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL ONLY  
\$3.95 EACH.**

#### PLEASE REMEMBER

Monthly specials are available only until the end of December, unless sooner sold out. Rewards Points do not apply to items on special.

## MARINE FISH OF THE MONTH BLUE TANGS

Almost a must-have for the marine tank, their stunning blue colour makes them a standout in the aquarium. Blue Tangs are reef safe and generally a good community fish. They are instantly recognized



by almost all children as 'Dory' of Nemo fame.

Blue Tangs are an active fish, primarily algae

eaters and should be provided with plenty of vegetable matter in their diet to help keep their intense blue colour.

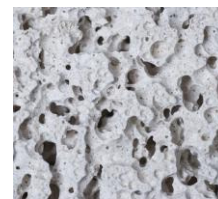
Regularly \$59.00.

**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL \$52.00**

## MARINE PURE CERAMIC CUBES

Designed to be used either submerged or not, in tank or in sump, Marine Pure specifically targets ammonia and nitrite removal and minimizes nitrates. They can be used in either marine or fresh water. These ceramic cubes are incredibly light but still sink (thus they do not have to be enclosed in a filter bag).

Marine Pure has a vast surface area



and open, interconnected pores which allows a thin bio-film to develop.

This bio-film allows bacteria to flourish

because necessary nutrients are immediately available. Old dead bio-film is easily flushed away because of the open pores. Available in 5cm cubes, spheres (suitable for canister filters) and blocks, all can be easily trimmed with a kitchen knife.

This month we are offering the cubes at \$3.50 each **OR BUY  
THREE GET ONE FREE!**