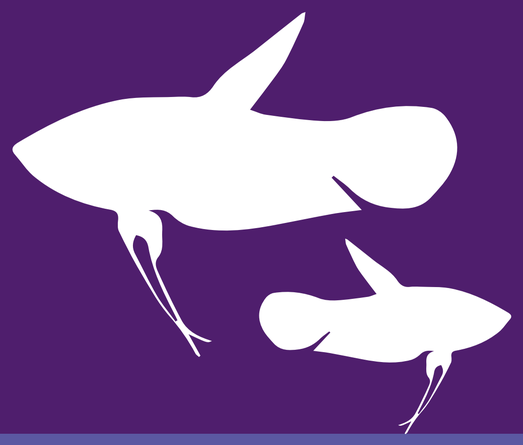


SPARKLING GOURAMI

Trichopsis pumila

FLUVAL

Sparkling Gouramis can be identified by their small adult size and the presence of a single solid dark midlateral stripe on their bodies.

SKILL LEVEL

Moderate

Not recommended for beginners due to more particular care requirements.

DIET

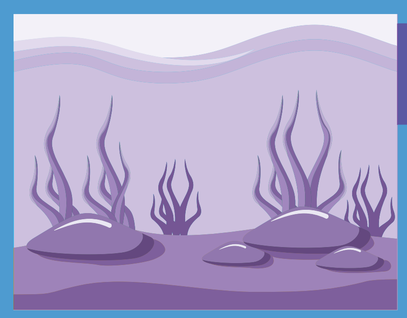
Omnivore

Readily accepts a variety of foods, including pellets and frozen foods like krill, shrimp, mussels, etc. Shows a definite preference for meaty foods.

DISTRIBUTION

Southeast Asia

Lower Mekong River basin in Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Thailand, and watersheds across central and southern peninsular Thailand.



MIN. AQUARIUM SIZE

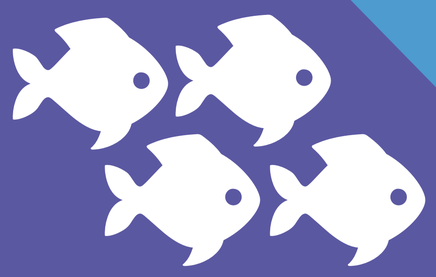
10 US Gal / 40 L

Best kept in densely planted, well-established aquariums. Water movement must be kept to a minimum.

BEHAVIOR

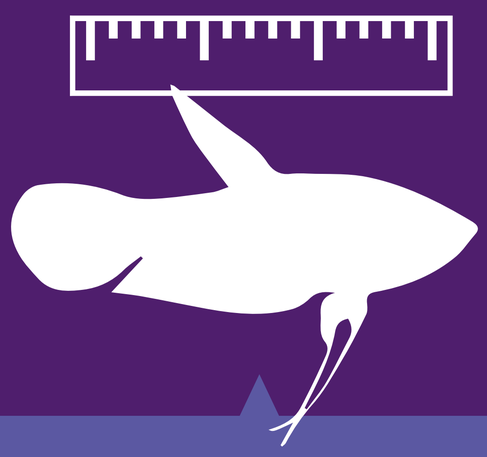
Peaceful

Highly reclusive: requires an abundance of refuges to be comfortable. Intraspecific aggression is high, in particular between males.



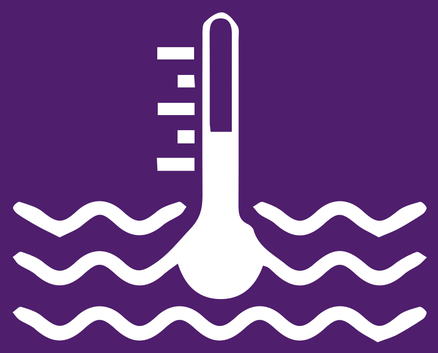
COMPATIBILITY

Best kept in species-specific aquariums – is easily intimidated by other species of fish. If kept in a community tank, ensure that tankmates are of similar size and temperament.



MAX LENGTH

1.5" / 4 cm



WATER

Temp: 72-80°F / 22-27°C
pH: 6.0-7.0
Hardness: 1-18 dH