

GOLDFISH & KOI IN SYDNEY TAP WATER.

Bens Handy Hints

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Ideal water conditions and tips to keep them.

Goldfish are of very similar nature. In regards to the quality of water, a pH of 7.0 to 7.6 is ideal. Sydney tap water is generally around that. The only real problem with Sydney tap water is the fact that it is very 'soft', this means it lacks a lot of minerals that goldfish and Koi love so much. So it is wise to use goldfish salts, aquarium salts or Koi and goldfish geo liquid; this will help re create the ideal water conditions for your fish.

Feeding

It is a good idea to vary the foods you feed your fish, you should always feed premium food. Stay away from cheap super market brands as they can have a negative impact on water quality. Every month or so

it is a good idea to de-shell a few peas cut them into an appropriate size for the fish to eat and feed it to them, this will keep there digestive system clean and healthy.

Goldfish Types:

Fantails, Comets, Shubunkin's, Lionhead's, Ranchu's, Oranda's, Black Moore's, Telescope eye's, Celestial eyes,

Ryukin's, Pearl Scales, Butterflytails, bubble eyes.



Ideal water quality

pH 7.0- 7.6 Ammonia 0ppm
Nitrite 0ppm Nitrate 0-40ppm
GH 100+ KH 120ppm

Water changing and Maintenance in aquariums

So what do you need to do to maintain Koi and goldfish?

Well you need to do a minimum of a 30% water change every 4 weeks, ideally you would gravel vacuum every 4 week and every 2 weeks do a 30% water

change just by draining off the 30%. This will ensure good clean environment for your fish.

Make sure you add conditioners and check your pH. Adjust the pH accordingly. Remember they hate water that is below 7.0 pH.

Maintaining your filtration according to the filter you have is essential, so remember cartridges are only good for 6-8 weeks max. Always clean your biological filtration in water taken from your aquarium. Tap water contains harmful chlorine.

Products we recommend:

Geo Liquid for Goldfish

Api Aquariums Salts

Api Stress coat

Api Stress Zyme

Seachen pH Buffers

Api pH Test Kit

Barrons Book on Goldfish



Special points of interest:

- Always check your pH.
- Do not over feed.
- Only feed 6 out of 7 days
- Regular water changes
- FEED THE PEA'S
- Good foods ONLY!