

# AQUARIUM PLANTS - NEW PRODUCTS 2013/2014

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"Gardening" above and below water is our passion. We are active all over the world in a variety of ways, whether it be on a Plantahunter tour in Florida or Borneo or on our partner farm in Sri Lanka. Constant contact with good friends in Japan, China, Taiwan and India helps us to develop new plant products. But one or two long "forgotten" plants are also regaining significance. Modern aquascaping in particular has significantly enhanced awareness of the needs of plants. These days, plant enthusiasts with underwater gardens no longer ask whether or not CO<sub>2</sub> fertilisation is necessary. In addition to many new plants in pots, we have expanded our selection of in-vitro plants and established a separate product segment. In the new plant-it series there are now 22 attractive plants for various planting areas in the aquarium. The plant-it tubs are especially well suited for aquascaping. Their small size means you can insert the plants into the hardscape between stones and roots very easily.

There are also new and exciting things to discover in the decorative range. The range of products for designing magical underwater landscapes is supplemented by Bonsai Palm, Scape Wood, Coco Cave, Scaper pads and much more.

.....now have fun "gardening" under water!

Stefan Hummel

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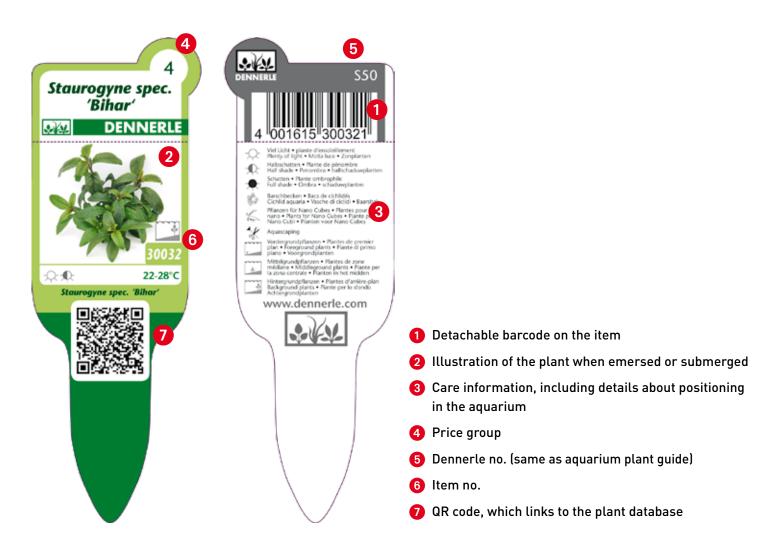
# **NEW PRODUCTS FROM A – Z**

On the following pages you will find out more about our new products from 2013/2014. As usual, the plants are described in detail with lots of hints and tips. In addition to really new plants such as *Limnophila spec. 'Vietnam'* and our *Echinodorus cultivar 'Breuni'*, there are also some well-known "classics" such as *Rotala macrandra* and *Heteranthera zosterifolia*.



### Information about the plant labels

Often, the appearance of the plants supplied is not identical to the subsequent growth habit in the aquarium. One example is *Micranthemum*, which is supplied as a flat cushion but grows up to a height of 30 - 40 cm and is therefore suitable as a midground plant. Dennerle provides Information about the growth habit in the current plant guide, Aquarium Plants – New Products 2013/2014, and on the plant labels.



## Alternanthera reineckii 'Red Ruby'

### Ammannia gracilis



### Cryptocoryne cordata



The variety 'Red Ruby' is a very pretty new cultivar which is a type of *Alternanthera reineckii*. The most noticeable feature is the ruby red venation on the leaves, which stands out clearly from the red background colour. The growth rate is a little slower than for *Alternanthera reineckii* '*Red*' and '*Bronze*'. This means with good lighting you can also cultivate this red beauty in a 30 l cube. In large aquaria you should plant around 15 - 20 stems to achieve an impressive group of plants, which harmonises best with "green" neighbours.

Genus:	Alternanthera
Species:	reineckii ´Red Ruby´
Family:	Amaranthaceae
Origin:	Cultivar
Area/height:	Background up to 40 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 - 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5-8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 to 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



### Item no. 119 • PG 4 | A08

Ammannia gracilis is a vibrantly coloured stem plant from West Africa. In the emersed form the plant is rather unremarkable with ovate green leaves. With good lighting, the plant displays a wonderful brown-red colouring under water. A good  $CO_2$  supply and nutrient-rich substrate are certainly important requirements for it to flourish magnificently. It can grow up to 60 cm tall, making this African stem plant suitable for the middle to background. Due to its rapid growth rate, the shoot tips should be replanted regularly.

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Genus:	Ammannia
Species:	gracilis
Family:	Lythraceae
Origin:	Senegambia
Area/height:	Background up to 60 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5 -8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



### Item no. 30018 • PG 5 | C30

*Cryptocoryne cordata* is native to South Thailand, West Malaysia, Sumatra and Borneo. The species is very variable in leaf shape and colour. This variety of *cordata* has narrower leaves than the more familiar heart-shaped variety. The underside of the leaf is slightly red and the upper leaf surface has an attractive streaked pattern. Softer water is preferable with mid to low intensity lighting. After a certain period of acclimatisation, this *cryptocoryne* can also be kept in harder water. Growing to a height of 20 cm, this variety is recommended for the middle area of the aquarium.

Genus:	Cryptocoryne
Species:	cordata (narrow-leaved variety)
Family:	Araceae
Origin:	Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Midground 20 cm
Light:	medium – low
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	4.5 – 7
Water hardness:	very soft to medium hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons



### ltem no. 30037 • PG 4 | A18

### Cryptocoryne lutea 'Hobbit



*Cryptocoryne lutea* is one of the easiest *Cryptocoryne* species from Sri Lanka to care for. The new dwarf form, Hobbit, was isolated from a normal sized plant in the greenhouse and further propagated in the laboratory. Growing to a height of just a few centimetres, this *Cryptocoryne* is ideal for even the smallest aquaria. The growth rate is also significantly slower than that of the stem form. With good lighting, the leaves become a deep purplish-brown colour and make a nice contrast to other green foreground plants.

Genus:	Cryptocoryne
Species:	lutea ´Hobbit'
Family:	Araceae
Origin:	Cultivar
Area/height:	Foreground up to 5 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 28 °C
Growth:	very slow
pH:	5-8
Water hardness:	very soft to hard
C0 <sub>2</sub> :	10 -20 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons



### Cryptocoryne usteriana



Item no. 30016 • PG 5 | C221

*Cryptocoryne usteriana* is an impressive plant from the Philippines. Unlike many other *Cryptocoryne* species, it grows permanently under water and is therefore not suitable for emersed cultivation in the greenhouse. For this reason it is very rarely found commercially. The bullate leaves are up to 70 cm long and the leaves are bright mid-green with a reddish underside. With medium lighting, *Cryptocoryne usteriana* grows best in hard, alkaline water and is therefore ideal for cichlids from Lake Malawi and Lake Tanganyika. Even with a low CO<sub>2</sub> supply the plant still grows rather well and is very easy to care for. The more familiar *Cryptocoryne aponogetifolia* looks confusingly similar.

Genus:	Cryptocoryne	
Species:	usteriana	
Family:	Araceae	
Origin:	Philippines	and the second second
Area/height:	Background 70 cm	and the second se
Light:	medium – low	A STATISTICS AND A STAT
Temperature:	22 – 26 °C	A DE AL THE MERINE AT
Growth:	slow	State State of the other states
pH:	6 -8	and the second s
Water hardness:	medium-hard to hard	
CO <sub>2</sub> :	5 – 30 mg/l	
Propagation:	Stolons	

### Cryptocoryne x purpurea

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#### Item no. 30019 • PG 5 | C222

*Cryptocoryne x purpurea* is a rarity from Southeast Asia. It is a natural hybrid between *Cryptocoryne griffithii* and *Cryptocoryne cordata*. The variety described here comes from Borneo and has remarkable marbling on the leaf blades. The growth is significantly slower than other *Cryptocoryne* species that are well known in aquatics. Growing to a height of around 10 cm (previous experience of cultivation in an aquarium), it remains relatively small in size and, depending on the size of the tank, can therefore also be used in the foreground. As with all *Cryptocorynes*, a nutrient-rich substrate is very important, as a lot of nutrients are absorbed by the roots.

Genus:	Cryptocoryne
Species:	<i>x purpurea</i> (natural hybrid)
Family:	Araceae
Origin:	Borneo
Area/height:	Foreground 10 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to neutral
C0 <sub>2</sub> :	10 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons



### Item no. 30031 • PG 5 | C240

# PLANT-IT! In-vitro plants in tubs

A logical further development of tissue culture plants is the marketing of little mini-tubs for aquatics fans. This originated at Dennerle from the problem of cultivating a plant and marketing it. *Cryptocoryne spec. 'Flamingo'* was found in a clump of *Cryptocoryne wendtii 'Braun'*. This striking pink coloured plant was propagated in the laboratory and, like all other *Cryptocorynes*, was to be grown on in pots for several months until it reached sale size. Unfortunately, all attempts at cultivation above water failed, while the plants in the aquarium continued to grow steadily. As a result, we decided to market this rarity in mini tubs directly from the laboratory.

From these beginnings Dennerle developed a new range of plants: plant-it, in-vitro plants in mini tubs. The range includes various types of plant such as the ground-cover plant *Hemianthus callitrichoides 'Cuba'* and the new *Micranthemum spec. 'Montecarlo'*, foreground and middle ground plants such as *Rotala indica* (syn. *Ammannia spec. Bonsai*) and *Staurogyne repens*, as well as a few rarities like *Eichhornia diversifolia* and the uncommon *Cryptocorynes usteriana* and *Cryptocoryne x purpurea*.

• They are all cultivated under sterile conditions,

Very compact and highly branched plants

emersed to submerged in the aquarium

which means there are no pest infestations and no pathogens

The submerged habit eliminates the changeover phase from

### All of these plants have one thing in common:



30018 | C30 Cryptocoryne cordata



945 | C444 Cryptocoryne spec. 'Flamingo'



30019 | C222 Cryptocoryne x purpurea



30042 | H11 Hemianthus callitrichoides 'Cuba'



No algae growth

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No snails or snail eggs

30014 | E410 Eichhornia diversifolia



139 | E400 Eleocharis pusilla



30011 | H10 Heteranthera zosterifolia



30009 | J10 Juncus repens



800 | G50 Glossostigma elatinoides



30043 | L60 Ludwigia arcuata





30013 | H220 Helanthium tenellum 'Broad Leaf'

The plant-it tubs are especially well suited to aquascaping. Their small size means you can insert the plants into the hardscape between stones and roots very easily. However, you have to be quite patient, as the plants are significantly smaller than aquarium plants that are cultivated conventionally in pots.

Plant-it plants are also a good way for shrimp enthusiasts to add new plants to already well-established aquaria containing shrimp. It is not necessary to water the plants for several days as usual. The gelatinous nutrient medium should simply be carefully washed off. As a general rule, the plant cushion should then be divided into small pieces and planted at intervals in the substrate.





137 | M90 Marsilea hirsuta



30047 | R40 Rotala indica



30038 | M100 Micranthemum spec. ´Montecarlo´



30046 | R15 Rotala macrandra



30041 | P11 Pogostemon erectus



30044 | S40 Staurogyne repens



30040 | P13 Pogostemon stellatus ´Adelaide River´



30045 | T60 Taxiphyllum barbieri



374 | R80 Riccia fluitans



360 | U01 Utricularia graminifolia

### Echinodorus 'Breuni Red

#### Item no. 123 • PG 5 | E40



Echinodorus 'Breuni Red' originated from a second generation range of cultivars of our Dschungelstars varieties. The somewhat peculiar name relates to the company Breuninger. The variety was presented and named during an aquatics event in one of the large shopping centres. With its characteristics, the new Echinodorus fits seamlessly into the Dschungelstar range. 'Breuni Red' grows well and is easy to care for. A nutrient-rich substrate and adequate CO<sub>2</sub> supply guarantee lush growth. With good lighting, the new inner leaves are bright red and make a nice contrast to the older, olive-green leaves. Growing to a height of 40 - 50 cm, the plant makes a very eye-catching specimen.

Eichhornia diversifolia is a decorative stem plant from the water hyacinth or Pontederiaceae family. The submerged shoots form leaves around 10 cm long on the stems. Eichhornia diversifolia grows relatively quickly and should therefore be trimmed regularly. If the stems reach the water surface, less decorative simple floating leaves form. A good supply of nutrients and CO<sub>2</sub> is absolutely essential

for this beauty from South America. Slightly acidic to neutral water also promotes healthy, strong growth. Eichhornia diversifolia is one of the most magnificent stem plants and it should therefore be

positioned in the middle or background of an underwater landscape as a specimen plant.

Genus:	Echinodorus
Species:	Cultivar ´Breuni Red ´
Family:	Alismataceae
Origin:	Cultivar
Area/height:	Midground up to 50 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Adventitious plantlets on the pedicel



### Eichhornia diversifolia



### **Eleocharis pusilla**



Genus:	Eichhornia
Species:	diversifolia
Family:	Pontederiaceae
Origin:	Central America, South America
Area/height:	Background 60 cm
Light:	high
Temperature:	18 – 30 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to neutral
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings

#### Item no. 30014 • PG 5 | E410

#### Item no. 139 • PG 5 | E400

The dwarf spikerush, Eleocharis pusilla, is native to Australia and New Zealand and inhabits wetlands with different water levels. In contrast to *Eleocharis acicularis*, the growth height is significantly shorter, usually only a few centimetres high. Another distinguishing feature are the light green, slightly curved stems of the dwarf spikerush. This grass grows best in cooler water, it cannot tolerate permanently high temperatures over 25° C. This delicate beauty is ideal for stone layouts in the Iwagumi style, as it results in a fresh "summer meadow". Like Echidonorus acicularis, the dwarf spikerush can also be cut well back, which makes the plant even denser and more compact.

Genus:	Eleocharis
Species:	pusilla
Family:	Cyperaceae
Origin:	Australia, New Zealand
Area/height:	Foreground 3 – 6 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	12 – 26 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 - 7
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons, division





### Floscopa scandens

#### Item no. 124 • PG 4 | F10

Plants from the dayflower or Commelinaceae family are recognised more as house plants than aquatic plants. The origin of *Floscopa scandens* is unknown, it was probably imported from Asia. The habit of the plant is somewhat reminiscent of a bamboo plant, which explains the commercial name, water bamboo. Floscopa grows significantly faster when cultivated above water than when it is living submerged. A nutrient-rich substrate, good lighting and adequate CO<sub>2</sub> are absolutely essential for stems with strong leaves to form. Its slow growth rate also makes water bamboo suitable for Nano Cubes.

Genus:	Floscopa
Species:	scandens
Family:	Commelinaceae
Origin:	possibly tropical Asia
Area/height:	Midground up to 30 cm
Light:	high - medium
Temperature:	20 – 26 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to neutral
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 - 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



### Helanthium tenellum 'Broad Leaf



#### Item no. 30013 • PG 5 | H220

We found this grass-like beauty on our Florida Plantahunter tour in winter 2012. At first glance it looks very similar to Helanthium tenellum (former name: Echinodorus tenellus) and is easily confused. The difference lies in the colour and width of the leaves and the growth height appears to be somewhat smaller. We named this plant 'Broad Leaf' due to the width of the leaf blades being up to 2.5 mm. The colour of the leaves stays bright mid-green, so it combines well with colourful plants such as Hygrophila pinnatifida, for example. Care needs are similar to the standard Helanthium tenellum. Lawn formation is encouraged by vigorous pruning.

Genus:	Helanthium
Species:	tenellum ´Broad Leaf´
Family:	Alismataceae
Origin:	North America
Area/height:	Foreground 4 -6 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons



### Heteranthera zosterifolia

#### Item no. 30011 • PG 5 | H10

The stem plant Heteranthera zosterifolia is a stunning beauty in the aquarium. The bright light-green leaves are up to 5 cm long and grow in an alternating leaf formation. Its requirements are relatively minimal, with good lighting and CO<sub>2</sub> fertilisation, growth is compact and fast. It is therefore recommended that the shoots are trimmed regularly. On our Plantahunter tour in Brazil, we saw the plant in the Rio da Prata over several kilometres of river. In fact, we even encountered lush plants in the crystal clear water where it was 2 m deep. The Heteranthera is a plant that is rich in contrast for the midground to background and works especially well in combination with colourful plants such as Rotala rotundifolia.

Genus:	Heteranthera
Species:	zosterifolia
Family:	Pontederiaceae
Origin:	Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia
Area/height:	Midground 30-40 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 26 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5 – 8
Water hardness:	soft – hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings





### Juncus repens



#### ltem no. 30009 • PG 5 | J10

*Juncus repens* is a grass-like marsh plant, which also grows when permanently under water. This small species of rush is native to southern and eastern USA and inhabits marshy shallow water. In the aquarium, *Juncus repens* is easy to care for and resilient. Softer water with a good  $CO_2$  supply promotes the best growth. In combination with other grass-like plants, you can design decorative meadow landscapes. However, this creeping rush also makes an attractive feature as a "filler plant" between stones. With strong lighting and a good supply of micro-nutrients, the shoots can also become slightly reddish in colour.

Genus:	Juncus
Species:	repens
Family:	Juncaceae
Origin:	USA, Cuba
Area/height:	Midground
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	10 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to neutral
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



### Limnophila spec. 'Vietnam





### Marsilea hirsuta



The genus *Limnophila*, from the figwort (*Scrophulariaceae*) family, has been well known in aquatics for a long time and is also commonly used. A new and rare plant is the as yet undefined *Limnophila spec*. *'Vietnam'*. Like almost all species, the leaflets, which are just 1-2 cm long, sit radially on the stem. With a leaf width of just a few millimetres, the plant looks particularly delicate and decorative. With adequate lighting the plant displays considerable creeping growth and is ideal for the foreground to midground. Vigorously trimming the plants into shape enables the growth of wonderful, harmonious cushions. *Limnophila spec. 'Vietnam'* is highly recommended for designs with hills and mountains.

Genus:	Limnophila
Species:	spec. ´Vietnam´
Family:	Scrophulariaceae
Origin:	Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Midground 20 cm
Light:	high
Temperature:	18 - 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



#### Item no. 137 • PG 5 | M90

*Marsilea hirsuta* belongs to the water clover family and is native to Australia. Due to its small size it is also known as dwarf four leaf clover. In marsh conditions, the plant forms small clover shaped leaflets when out of the water; under water ovate leaflets usually form, which are strongly reminiscent of the *Glossostigma* plant. The dwarf four leaf clover, however, is much easier to cultivate and very low maintenance. It does take a certain amount of time for the young plant to acclimatise to the aquarium, but it gradually forms an attractive carpet. Ideally the emersed shoots should be completely cut off before planting; new submerged shoots will gradually form.

Genus:	Marsilea
Species:	hirsuta
Family:	Marsileaceae
Origin:	Australia
Area/height:	Foreground 1-3 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 26 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons, division





### Micranthemum spec. 'Montecarlo' Item no. 30033 • PG 4 | 30038 plant-it • PG 5 | M100



Micranthemum spec. 'Montecarlo' is a new, promising foreground plant. The name of this variety comes from the Argentinian city of Montecarlo in the province of Misiones. In contrast with M. umbrosum, this plant does not grow upright, but creeps along the bottom as a cushion. This makes this new variety a very good alternative to Hemianthus callitrichoides 'Cuba', with much better growth habits. This new pearl grass is ideally suited for aquascaping and perfect for Nano Cubes.

Genus:	Micranthemum
Species:	spec. ´Montecarlo´
Family:	Scrophulariaceae
Origin:	Argentina
Area/height:	Foreground 3-5 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 26 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 -7
Water hardness:	very soft to medium
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Division



### Myriophyllum mattogrossense

#### Item no. 126 • PG 4 | M80



Najas graminea

The Mato Grosso milfoil is a species from the *Myriophyllum genus* that is particularly easy to care for. It is found in Ecuador, Brazil and Bolivia. This plant inhabits fast-flowing, cooler waters. The pinnate submerged leaves are bright light-green and contrast very well with other green or coloured plants. In terms of care you should make sure there is a good supply of nutrients, especially good iron fertilisation. If there is an iron deficiency the shoot tips become much lighter to whitish. Myriophyllum mattogrossense also grows relatively well with medium lighting and is therefore also ideal for aquascaping beginners. Due to its potential height, this plant is recommended for the midground to background.

Genus:	Myriophyllum
Species:	mattogrossense
Family:	Haloragaceae
Origin:	Ecuador, Brazil, Bolivia
Area/height:	Background
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	18 – 28 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH value:	5 – 8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



#### Item no. 127 • PG 5 | N40

Chris Lukhaup brought this delicate beauty from Lake Sentani in Papua New Guinea. Unlike other water-nymphs, Najas graminea is much more robust and the stems are not as fragile. Like all stem plants, several individual stems should always be used as group planting. The plants should be trimmed regularly as they are quite vigorous. When doing so the strong head cuttings can be replanted in a layered arrangement. In Lake Sentani this plant grows at almost 30 °C in the water, so Najas graminea is also highly recommended for discus aguaria.

Genus:	Najas
Species:	graminea
Family:	Najadaceae
Origin:	Papua New Guinea, Indonesia
Area/height:	Midground up to 40 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 30 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5 – 7.5
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots





### Pogostemon quadrifolius

#### Item no. 30035 • PG 4 | P12



Pogostemon quadrifolius is a new water starwort from Laos. This species is closely related to Pogostemon stellatus. This new stem plant is sometimes also referred to as Pogostemon stellatus 'Octopus'. It is very easy to care for and grows very strongly. For this reason, the stock of plants should be frequently replanted by means of head cuttings. The side shoots can also be used, they grow somewhat slower and are therefore also recommended for Nano Cubes.

Genus:	Pogostemon
Species:	quadrifolius
Family:	Lamiaceae
Origin:	Laos, Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Background up to 50 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 28 °C
Growth:	very rapid
pH:	5 -7.5
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



### Pogostemon stellatus 'Adelaide River



## Pogostemon stellatus 'Broad Leaf



#### Item no. 30040 • PG 5 | P13

This new stem plant is most probably a type of *Pogostemon stellatus*, which is highly variable in form. The name 'Adelaide River' refers to its Australian native home in the Northern Territory. Good lighting and balanced nutrition are also important requirements for cultivating this variety. This plant's growth is compact and particularly delicate and it is easily propagated by taking head cuttings. With good lighting, the shoot tips become coloured in various shades of red to purple.

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Genus:	Pogostemon
Species:	spec. ´Adelaide River´
Family:	Lamiaceae
Origin:	Australia
Area/height:	Background up to 40 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 -7
Water hardness:	very soft to medium hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



#### Item no. 128 • PG 4 | P50

Pogostemon species are now very popular in aquatics, especially in aquascaping. The older designation Eusteralis stellata is still more commonly found commercially. Pogostemon stellatus is a very variable species with a variety of leaf shapes and colours. The name 'Broad Leaf' refers to the appearance of the wider leaf shape. Interestingly this variety is not as sensitive as the stem form, which frequently forms stunted shoot tips. Very good lighting, a constant CO<sub>2</sub> supply and intense fertilisation of the water guarantee lush, colourful plants in an underwater landscape.

Genus:	Pogostemon
Species:	stellatus ´Broad Leaf´
Family:	Lamiaceae
Origin:	Australia, Papua New Guinea
Area/height:	Midground up to 40 cm
Light:	high
Temperature:	20 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to neutral
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



### **Ranunculus inundatus**



### **Rotala indica**



## Rotala macrandra 'Green

The river buttercup, Ranunculus inundatus, is a very decorative plant which is new to aquatics. In its natural site in Australia, this plant grows in damp locations, in some cases in the shallow water of ponds and lakes. Its most striking feature are the wonderfully formed leaves which are shaped like a slotted umbrella. Like Hydrocotyle species, this plant constantly forms stolon shoots. They generally creep along the substrate and form new leaf stems at the nodes. This gradually results in beautiful groups of plants with a very ornamental appearance. Ranunculus inundatus is a plant that needs strong lighting and therefore also requires a higher nutrient supply.

Genus:	Ranunculus
Species:	inundatus
Family:	Ranunculaceae
Origin:	Australia
Area/height:	Midground 10-15 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	20 – 28 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5 – 7
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Stolons, division



#### Item no. 130 • PG4 | 30047 plant-it • PG 5 | R40

This new arrival was known as Ammania spec. Bonsai, but it is actually the "real" Rotala indica. This name was mistakenly used as a synonym for Rotala rotundifolia for decades. Unlike Rotala rotundifolia, the differences between the emersed and submerged leaves of this plant are hard to see. The oval to circular leaflets are densely packed on the stem and give a very ornamental appearance. The growth is always upright, which provides interesting design possibilities. The slow growth also favours placing it in the foreground or the mid-zone of an underwater landscape. A free standing group in a Hemianthus carpet looks particularly impressive.

Genus:	Rotala
Species:	indica
Family:	Lythraceae
Origin:	India, Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Midground 30-40 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5 -7
Water hardness:	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



#### Item no. 131 • PG 4 | R15

Rotala macrandra has a very variable appearance with many colours and leaf shapes. The emersed leaflets are round, whereas in water the leaves are narrow and elliptical with a light green colour. With good lighting, the shoot tips become slightly reddish in places, resulting in a striking appearance. This variety is easier to cultivate than the pure red stem form. The growth rate is average, so this variety is highly recommended for the background in Nano Cubes. This delicate stem plant is also well suited for use in aquascaping layouts.

Genus:	Rotala
Species:	macrandra ´Green´
Family:	Lythraceae
Origin:	Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Background
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5-7
Water hardness:	very soft to medium hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots





Item no. 118 • PG 4 | R20



### Staurogyne spec. 'Bihar



The acanthus *Staurogyne spec. 'Bihar'* is a new arrival in aquatics. In contrast to the well-known foreground species *S. repens* and *S. spec. 'Porto Vehlo'*, it is a plant for the background. It grows well and is easy to care for. Due to its rapid growth, the stems should be trimmed regularly. The leaves on the shoot tips are usually slightly slotted and are strongly reminiscent of the well-known *Hygrophila pinnatifida*. With good lighting the plant becomes brownish red with slightly pink coloured undersides of the leaves.

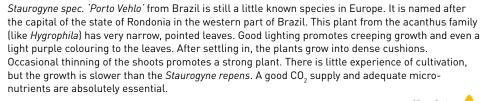
Genus:	Staurogyne
Species:	spec. ´Bihar´
Family:	Acanthaceae
Origin:	India
Area/height:	Background
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5-8
Water hardness: soft to hard	
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



Item no. 30032 • PG 4 | S50

### Staurogyne spec. 'Porto Vehlo

#### Item no. 133 • PG 5 | S20



Genus:	Staurogyne
Species:	spec. ´Porto Vehlo´
Family:	Acanthaceae
Origin:	Brazil
Area/height:	Foreground 3-5 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	5 -7.5
Water hardness	soft to medium-hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 – 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings



Item no. 30029 • PG 3 | MP14

## Vesicularia ferriei – Weeping Moos

Hardly any other moss is as popular as the *Java moss, Vesicularia ferriei.* The commercial name 'Weeping Moos' refers to the drooping fronds of this attractive moss. Ideally the moss is attached to roots or stones, where it quickly takes hold with fine holdfast roots. By trimming the moss cushion regularly, wonderful layouts can be created. Little miniature trees made of delicate roots and the weeping moss as the "treetop" are a particular art form. This beautiful moss is very easy to care for and resilient.

Genus:	Vesicularia
Species:	ferriei
Family:	Hypnaceae
Origin:	China, Japan
Area/height:	Foreground
Light:	medium - low
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	5 -7
Water hardness: very soft to medium hard	
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 -30 mg/l
Propagation:	Division





# <u>The rarity</u> from the Plantahunter tour, Brazil!



## Taxiphyllum spec. 'Bonito

#### Item no. 30051 • PG 3 | MP15



We discovered the new Bonito moss on our Plantahunter tour in Brazil and propagated it in our greenhouses. It forms dense, elongated, palmate fronds with an intensive green colour. Like most mosses, it is very easy to care for in the aquarium. Vigorous pruning promotes especially compact moss cushions. The growth is hugely influenced by changing the water regularly, fresh, clear water and the  $CO_2$  supply. Ideally this new moss from Brazil grows attached to roots or stones.

Genus:	Taxiphyllum
Species:	spec. ´Bonito´
Family:	Hypnaceae
Origin:	Brazil
Area/height:	Foreground up to 10 cm
Light:	medium - low
Temperature:	18 – 26 °C
Growth:	slow
pH:	5 – 8
Water hardness	s: soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	0 – 20 mg/l
Propagation:	Division



# **DECORATIVE ELEMENTS**

Many well-known aquarium plants grow naturally in the spray of streams, rivers, and waterfalls. Rocks and cliffs, roots and dead tree trunks are overgrown with these epiphytes. Anubias, Microsorum, Bolbitis and mosses are interesting plants that all possess this same growth habit.

With our new decorative additions, magically beautiful underwater landscapes are possible in any size of aquarium.



Taxiphyllum barbieri on root with suckers 30015 | PG9 | T60



Pogostemon helferi on stone 30017 | PG8 | P10



Coco Cave with Anubias nana 30020 | PG9 | CC01



Bonsai Palme with Anubias nana 30028 | PG8 | A21.3





*Hydrocotyle cf.tripartita on stone* 30039 | PG8 | H35



Aegagrophila Scape Wood 30025 | PG24 | A40

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Monosolenium tenerum Scaper pad 30021 | PG3 | MP11



Vesicularia spec. Triangelmoos Scaper pad 30023 | PG3 | MP12



Taxiphyllum barbieri Scaper pad 30024 | PG3 | MP13



Lilaeopsis brasiliensis Scaper pad 30026 | PG3 | L17

# **SPECIMEN PLANTS**

In our Dennerle greenhouses, we lovingly care for and cultivate extra-large plants for months on end. These "specimens" are made for large aquarium setups and designs, since they immediately give the impression of a mature, long-standing landscape. There are now XXL plants for larger aquaria from the stem plant range too.

## Alternanthera reineckii 'Red' XXL

#### Item no. 110 • PG 9 | A04

### Bacopa caroliniana XXL



## Hygrophila corymbosa XXL

Hardly any other stem plant is as vividly coloured as this variety. The stems and upper and lower surface of the leaves are brown-red to cherry red in colour. To ensure that you get the most intense colours, this plant needs good lighting and an adequate supply of  $CO_2$ . The growth rate is average, which means the stems should be trimmed or pruned every 6-8 weeks. In discus aquariums this South American plant adds a splash of colour when combined with sword plants.

Genus:	Alternanthera
Species:	reineickii ´Rot´
Family:	Amaranthaceae
Origin:	South America
Area/height:	Background up to 50 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	medium
pH:	5-8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 to 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



### Item no. 30022 • PG 9 | B10

A stem plant that is one of the classic aquarium plants. It grows much more slowly than other stem plants, and needs a well-lit location to help it produce the pretty brown-coloured leaves. Emersed plants are pure green and display obvious hairs on the stems. It is most effective in a larger group; ideally the stems should be planted in stages rising towards the back. This results in a harmonious sight for the observer.

Genus:	Bacopa
Species:	caroliniana
Family:	Scrophulariaceae
Origin:	America
Area/height:	Background up to 40 cm
Light:	high
Temperature:	18 – 26 °C
pH:	6-8
Water hardness:	soft to hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	10 to 20 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings, side shoots



#### Item no. 30008 • PG 9 | H135

*Hygrophila corymbosa* is a common stem plant in Southeast Asia. There are several varieties, each of which has a different leaf shape. Generally the leaves above water are much darker in colour than when submerged. Giant Hygro is a good beginner plant for the background. Rapid growth means that excess nutrients are removed, eliminating the food source for any algae. As soon as the shoots reach the water's surface they should be trimmed back to half their length. A stepped arrangement of the stems is recommended for this.

Genus:	Hygrophila
Species:	corymbosa
Family:	Acanthaceae
Origin:	Southeast Asia
Area/height:	Background up to 50 cm
Light:	high – medium
Temperature:	22 – 28 °C
Growth:	rapid
pH:	5-8
Water hardness:	very soft to very hard
CO <sub>2</sub> :	20 to 30 mg/l
Propagation:	Head cuttings





# **DISCONTINUED PLANTS 2013/2014**

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112	Anubias congensis
120	Anubias heterophylla
106	Asplenium cf.normale
612	Bacopa monierii
105	Bolbitis heteroclita "Difformis"
611	Bacopa caroliniana, submers
647	Cryptocoryne spec. Indonesia
621	Cryptpcoryne wendtii Brown XL
639	Cryptocoryne wendtii Brown XXL
665	Cryptocoryne wendtii Green XXL
276	Cyperus helferi
658	Didiplis diandra
162	Echinodorus cordifolius
710	Echinodorus Dschungelstar Nr. 4 XXL
681	Glossostigma elantinoides
700	Hyophila involuta
640	Microsorum pteropus 'Trident'
401	Rorippa aquatica
735	Rotala spec. Enie
931	Taxiphyllum spec. Spiky Moos
920	Coco Shell with M40
921	Coco Shell with M50
798	Coco Shell with T60
981	Nano Bridge with A21
225	Lysimchia nummularia
252	Anubias barteri XL
284	Anubias Bonsai on stone
135	Cryptocoryne cordata, Blister
136	Cryptocoryne x purpurea, Blister
350	Cryptocoryne usteriana, Blister
140	Heteranthera zosterifolia, Blister
141	Eichhornia diversifolia, Blister
143	Juncus repens, Blister
147	Helanthium tenellum ´Broad Leaf´, Blister
231	Mayaca fluviatilis

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