Making Success Simple

Drip Loop

Whenever you plug in any electrical appliance, it's important to utilize a "drip loop". This prevents water droplets from reaching the electrical outlet, which can cause a severe hazard.

To make a drip loop, follow the diagram to the right. Simply drop the power supply cord below the level of the outlet you’re plugging it into. This way, if any water should get on the cord, it will drip off before it reaches the electrical outlet.

1. place aquarium on Strong, Stable Surface

- Place aquarium on surface evenly so that all sides of aquarium are supported.
- Surface should be able to easily support 45 lbs.
2. **add Gravel**

- Place aquarium on base.
- Carefully pour rinsed gravel into middle of aquarium.
- Spread gravel evenly around aquarium bottom.
- Gravel depth should measure about 1" from the bottom.

3. **add Plants, Décor**

- Place plants and décor items into aquarium in desired location.
- Cover base of plants and bottom of decor items with gravel to hold securely in place.

4. **add Water**

- Pour room-temperature water into aquarium over hand to avoid moving gravel, plants and décor.
- Fill aquarium with water to bottom edge of top frame.
- Add water conditioner.

5. **place Filter**

- Assemble filter and insert filter cartridge according to included instructions.
- Place filter in cutout location in top frame.
6. add **MiniBow Heater** (Optional - sold separately)

- Fully submerge heater in water and attach to back wall using suction cups.
- Plug in heater.

7. add **Light Hood**

- Place light hood on aquarium, resting on inside of top frame.
- Cord from filter should be routed through cutout in back of the light hood so light hood fits securely inside of upper frame.
- Plug in filter and light hood.

8. add **Fish**

- Wait 24 hours before adding fish.
- Turn off light, unplug and remove light hood.
- Place fish, while in bag from store, into aquarium. Let sit for 10 minutes.
- Open bag and add about 1/2 cup of aquarium water. Wait 5 minutes. Repeat this process once.
- Carefully allow fish to enter aquarium. Replace light hood and plug in.

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**3 Tips to Succeed**

*Simply succeed!*

Follow the Three Tips to Succeed along with the setup guide instructions, and you’ll spend more time enjoying a healthy aquarium and less time maintaining it.

As an additional resource, you’ll find a variety of instructional video segments on our website:

aquaconproducts.com/education/videos