

Siamese Betta

Betta splendens



Water

pH approx: 7.0; GH 50-150ppm

Temperature

Siamese Bettas originate in warm water and should always be kept above 18°C. (The ideal and recommended temperature is 25°C). In colder states such as Vic and Tas, they will require a heater during winter months.

Range

In nature, these fish are found in Thailand and Malaysia.

Size

Can reach sizes of 8cm.

Colour

Well known for their fighting habits, males have been bred to have magnificent finnage in many spectacular colour varieties. Blue, red and ocean green are the most popular. Females are not as colourful as males, and have relatively small fins.

Feeding

Feed floating pellets, live blackworm, freeze dried black worm and AI Naturals Range Frozen Betta Mix. AI Naturals Range Betta Mix has been specifically created to complement dry foods, ensuring that your Betta receives all of their nutritional requirements. It contains no artificial colours or preservatives.

Temperament

Male Siamese Bettas are extremely aggressive toward each other. In the confines of an aquarium, battles between males often end in death. However, they are usually peaceful towards other fish.

In Home Tanks

Conditions in established home aquariums are usually quite suited for keeping these fish. Good animal husbandry is essential — ensure low population densities, plenty of hiding places, low bacteria levels and good water quality. In small tanks they will require frequent water changes and good water maintenance—we recommend a suitable water conditioner for your Betta.

Always take care that they are not restricted in their movements and are able to turn and swim freely.

In a shared aquarium, a little extra care may be needed at feeding time to ensure they get their share, and to ensure that other fish do not nip at their elaborate finnage.

Breeding

These fish are not difficult to breed at home. Females lay eggs which are scooped up by the male and cared for in a floating bubble nest.

Siamese Bettas make an ideal “first pet” but always remember—**only one male per tank.**

We feed and recommend:

