



by Tropica

A pure and cultured landscape with everything in the right spot. Light and friendly. The very light-green general impression from *Ceratopteris*, *Rotala*, *Hydrocotyle* and *Nymphoides* is broken by the red *Echinodorus*, the orange *Nesaea* and the orange-green pinnatifida. Under the pinnatifida, the 'Christmas'-moss grows. To the right, the 'Spiky'-moss forms a dark, somewhat mysterious surface - and at the same time covers the filter! Pinnatifida and *Staurogyne* are both regularly nipped to further a low and compact growth. *Rotala* is kept low like a valley in the background. Keep the rock pieces visible between the plant groups.

Schooling fish are an obvious choice for the aquarium - as an example the Red Nose Tetra (*Hemigrammus bleheri*, approximately 15 fish.).

Tips! Keep an area free up against the front screen, so that offshoots from *Staurogyne*, pinnatifida and *Hydrocotyle* are free to peep out and be visible.

Technique

Aquarium:	JUWEL
Volume:	125 L
Light:	T5 2 x 28W T5, High Lite Day
Gravel:	Light quartz sand 0.8-1.4 mm
Filter:	Juwel Rio 125
CO2:	20 mg/L
Fertiliser (weekly):	Specialised Fertiliser 25 ml
Maintenance (hours per week):	½-1

Plants used in this layout

A)	<i>Ceratopteris thalictroides</i>	(005A)	1 pcs.
B)	<i>Echinodorus</i> 'Red Diamond'	(074D)	1 pcs.
C)		()	1 pcs.
D)	<i>Nesaea crassicaulis</i>	(033B)	1 pcs.
E)	<i>Nymphoides hydrophylla</i> 'Taiwan'	(041B)	1 pcs.
F)	<i>Staurogyne repens</i>	(049G)	5 pcs.
G)	<i>Hygrophila pinnatifida</i>	(051A)	1 pcs.
G)	<i>Vesicularia ferriei</i> 'Weeping'	(003B POR)	1 pcs.
G)	<i>Hygrophila pinnatifida</i> and moss	(051A YWS)	1 pcs.
H)	<i>Pogostemon erectus</i>	(053F)	1 pcs.
I)	<i>Hydrocotyle tripartita</i>	(039B)	2 pcs.
J)	<i>Anubias barteri</i> 'Petite'	(101H)	1 pcs.
K)	<i>Taxiphyllum</i> 'Spiky'	(003G POR)	5 pcs.