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An orange-red abundance of *Rotala Macrandra* frames the central roots along with vivid light green *Cuba-Hemianthus*. Thin transparent straws of the high *Eleocharis* sp. make the layout look deep and full of perspective. *Hydrocotyle* and *Nymphoides* are both fast-growing and they require regular trimming. The low, compact growth of *Bacopa 'Compact'* is a result of continuous cutting and replanting of top shoots.

Plant D on the drawing is *Penthorum sedoides*, which is no longer produced by Tropica.

Technique

Aquarium:	IHM MÜLLER
Volume:	300 L
Light:	4 x 54 W (T5 Daylight)
Substrate:	Tropica substrate
Gravel:	Råda sand 0,8-1,2 mm
Decoration:	Sumatra Driftwood
Filter:	2 x Eheim pumps 600 L/h
CO2:	Approx. 25 mg/L
Fertiliser (weekly):	70 mL Premium + 180 mL Specialised
Maintenance (hours per week):	1-2

Plants used in this layout

A)	<i>Rotala macrandra</i>	(032 TC)	2 pcs.
B)	<i>Eleocharis montevidensis</i>	(132D)	5 pcs.
C)	<i>Hydrocotyle tripartita</i>	(039B)	3 pcs.
D)		()	6 pcs.
E)	<i>Bacopa monnieri 'Compact'</i>	(044A)	7 pcs.
F)	<i>Echinodorus 'Reni'</i>	(072D)	3 pcs.
G)	<i>Nymphoides hydrophylla 'Taiwan'</i>	(041B)	1 pcs.
H)		()	4 pcs.
H)	<i>Helanthium tenellum 'Green'</i>	(067A TC)	4 pcs.
I)	<i>Hemianthus callitrichoides 'Cuba'</i>	(048B)	8 pcs.
J)	<i>Taxiphyllum 'Flame'</i>	(003H TC)	2 pcs.
K)	<i>Hygrophila pinnatifida</i>	(051A)	2 pcs.