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Over the last few years nano aquariums have become very popular. Partly because they fit well into the modern family's way of living and also because the use of different mosses and shrimps are a growing trend. This layout is more advanced and requires both good light and CO<sub>2</sub>.

Three different foreground plants have been used for this layout. All with different leaf shapes. Hemianthus with its millimeter-sized leaves that capture tiny oxygen bubbles, Staurogyne with slightly bigger leaves and a creeping growth, and finally Pogostemon that creates dense, curly leaves. Behind the stony soil a Heteranthera contribute with plumpness and vigor. Many plants are suitable for the nano aquariums and especially mosses are popular! Most plant types are suitable, but frequently cutting is a must if you use taller and fast growing plants.

**Tip!** Small algae-eating fish and shrimps, frequent water changes and regular care are important elements to maintain an optimal water quality in your nano aquarium.

## Technique

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| Aquarium:                     | CLEARSEAL                                  |
| Volume:                       | 12 L                                       |
| Light:                        | T5 x 39W                                   |
| Gravel:                       | Amazonia sand                              |
| Filter:                       | Eden 501 mini external filter              |
| CO <sub>2</sub> :             | 25 mg/L                                    |
| Fertiliser (weekly):          | 1 ml Premium Fertiliser + 5 ml Specialised |
| Maintenance (hours per week): | ½-1  |

## Plants used in this layout

|    |                                     |          |        |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| A) | Staurogyne repens                   | (049G)   | 2 pcs. |
| B) | Pogostemon deccanensis              | (053F)   | 2 pcs. |
| B) | Pogostemon helferi                  | (053H)   | 2 pcs. |
| C) | Micranthemum callitrichoides 'Cuba' | (048B)   | 4 pcs. |
| D) | Heteranthera zosterifolia           | (096 TC) | 1 pcs. |