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Red groups of *Rotala macrandra* and *Alternanthera 'Mini'* create focus plants in various shades of green - see video for a close up on the macrandra. The central tree root with mounted Christmas moss makes the aquarium look older, while the fresh green carpet of *Cuba Hemianthus* gives a light and friendly impression. Here, we used both *Lilaeopsis* and *Cryptocoryne parva* to break the passage between the central island and the front carpet. The darker green leaves of the *Lilaeopsis* and *parva* work well with the light green *Hemianthus*.

**Tip!** The tall *Eleocharis* is great for creating depth and perspective, since you can see through the straws.

## Technique

Aquarium:	IHM MÜLLER
Volume:	100 L
Light:	T5 Daylight 4 x 24W
Gravel:	Råda sand 0.8-1.2 mm.
Filter:	Eheim pump 600
CO2:	25 mg/L
Fertiliser (weekly):	50 ml Premium Fertiliser + 50 ml Specialised
Maintenance (hours per week):	½-1

## Plants used in this layout

A)	( )	1 pcs.
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B)	<i>Rotala macrandra</i> (032 TC)	1 pcs.
C)	<i>Eleocharis montevidensis</i> (132D)	2 pcs.
D)	<i>Lilaeopsis brasiliensis</i> (040)	2 pcs.
E)	<i>Alternanthera reineckii</i> 'Mini' (023C TC)	1 pcs.
F)	<i>Cryptocoryne parva</i> (106)	6 pcs.
G)	<i>Micranthemum callitrichoides</i> 'Cuba' (048B)	6 pcs.
H)	<i>Vesicularia montagnei</i> 'Christmas Moss' (003A POR)	3 pcs.