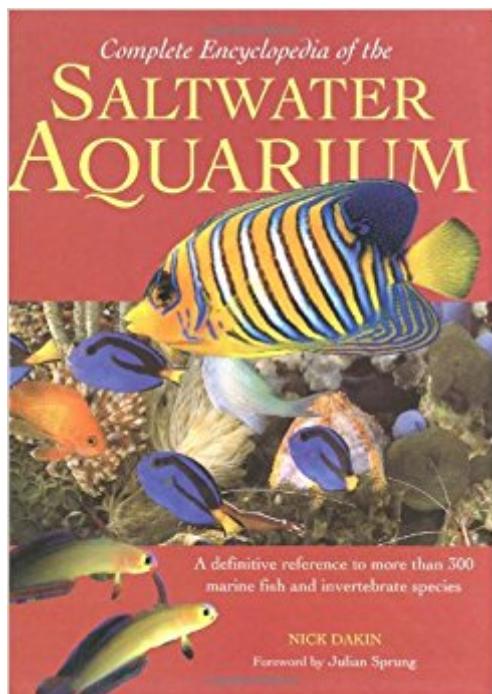


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# Complete Encyclopedia Of The Saltwater Aquarium



## Synopsis

An encyclopedic reference for setting up, stocking, and maintaining a saltwater aquarium. Nothing rivals the color and appeal of a saltwater aquarium. The Complete Encyclopedia of the Saltwater Aquarium simplifies the complexities of setting-up and maintaining a successful saltwater aquarium. The book illustrates and explains: Specific characteristics of invertebrates and marine fish Important differences between tropical and freshwater fish Choosing a tank: advantages and disadvantages of glass and acrylic, different shapes, and critical construction details Accessories such as aquarium heaters, lights, and filters Water testing and maintaining the correct chemical balance More than half of the book is a directory that covers species from 34 fish families. Details include their characteristics, natural environment, diet and feeding, size range, and aquarium behavior. Coldwater aquariums are covered in a separate section that shows how to establish an artificial habitat for fish requiring temperate saltwater. This full-color reference will appeal to saltwater tropical fish enthusiasts at any level.

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