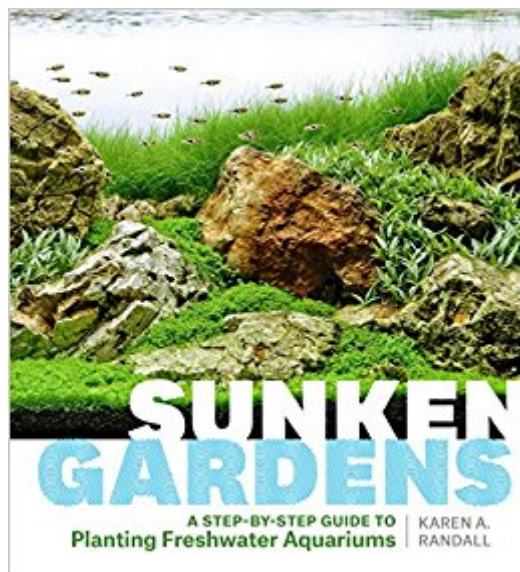




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# Sunken Gardens: A Step-by-Step Guide To Planting Freshwater Aquariums



## Synopsis

The essential guide to creating your own underwater world. *Sunken Gardens* is packed with everything you need to plan, design, and maintain a planted freshwater aquarium. Karen Randall shares her years of expertise and makes this enchanting hobby accessible to everyone. You'll learn everything from the biology of aquatic plants and basic aquarium chemistry to tank maintenance and troubleshooting. Plant profiles highlight the best options for a range of tank situations, and a chapter devoted to aquascaping styles provides basic design principles and inspiring examples. With hundreds of color photographs and clear, reliable advice, *Sunken Gardens* is an essential introduction to a fascinating pastime.

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“This is one of the best aquarium books I have ever read.” —AQUAdesign

Everyone who sees a skillfully planted aquarium falls under its spell: it's like looking at a tropical forest, an enchanted meadow, or a miniature mountain range. *Sunken Gardens* shows you how to plan, design, plant, and maintain a beautiful, thriving aquascape. From technical matters such as carbon dioxide supplementation and fertilization to the aesthetics of combining plants, rocks, and wood, Karen Randall—one of the world's foremost experts on planted freshwater aquariums—takes the mystery out of underwater gardening and opens its pleasures to both novices and experienced aquarists. Filled with illuminating step-by-step photos and enriched with

detailed portraits of some of the best aquatic plants, fish, and invertebrates, *Sunken Gardens* is the essential guide to this fascinating pastime. Â

This book is very well written!! It is comprehensive and covers all aspects of keeping a healthy planted tank, but is written in a way that makes it very easy to understand. I would definitely recommend this book for anyone starting out with a planted tank, or for those planning on upping their game to a high tech planted tank. Just a great book to have in your aquarium library!

If you're new to this subject, this book will give you a good base to expand upon. Very basic, and an easy read. A great introduction with many good pointers. Phd. in Biology not required.

A very nice book and helpful, although to be honest I've learned very little from it. Most of the advice you can easily find on aquatic plant forums on the internet. If you're starting from scratch though it's good reference material. I was a bit disappointed in the section describing various plants. The descriptions of actual plants are very brief. The focus of this book seems to be heavily slanted toward setting up the aquarium, water chemistry and conditions, etc. I did like the book though. It has beautiful pictures and makes a good reliable resource.

Exactly what we were looking for

good

Awesome book. Everyone planning to have a planted aquarium should read this very informative book.

Some reviewers said this was a complete book, all one needed to set up a planted aquarium. Overall, it is good but some subjects are not as well discussed as others. I thought the section on lighting was especially thin.

Great book. Strongly recommend for hobby starter

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