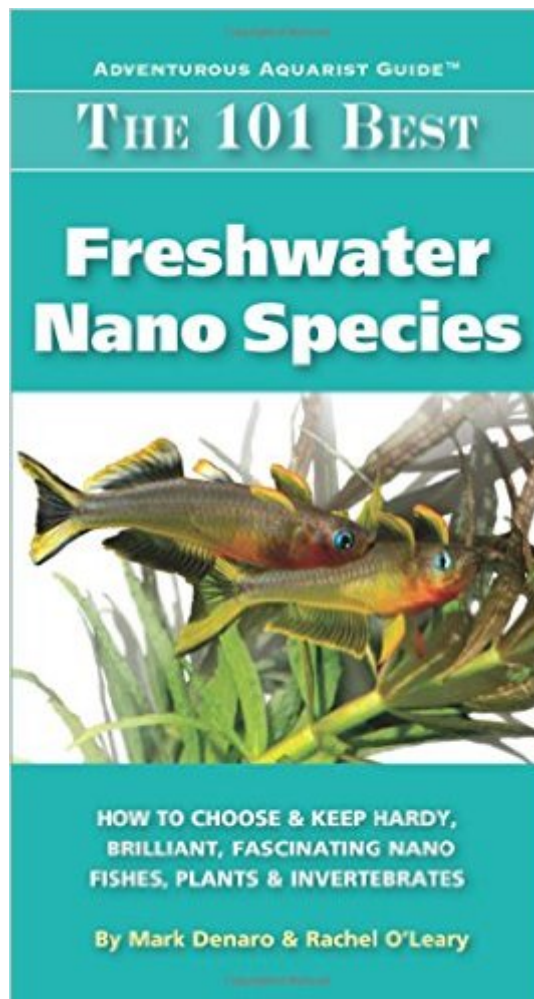


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# The 101 Best Freshwater Nano Species: How To Choose & Keep Hardy, Brilliant, Fascinating Nano Fishes, Plants & Invertebrates (Adventurous Aquarist Guide)



## Synopsis

Freshwater nano tanks, or tanks under 20 gallons as the authors define them, have become increasingly popular over the past few years. There are hundreds of species available to aquarium keepers on a regular basis, so figuring out which ones to choose for these specialized tanks can be a daunting task. The 101 Best Freshwater Nano Species is the only field guide that helps you choose and keep fishes, plants, and invertebrates specifically for nano tanks. Written by two leading experts in the field of nano tanks, this fully illustrated guide will prepare you to keep these wonderful and fascinating animals successfully.

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Absolutely a great book. I would recommend this to anyone who is interested in keeping fish, shrimp, or plants in a freshwater aquarium. I've been keeping tanks on and off for more than 40 years and have read through this book twice in the 2 weeks I've had it. The book goes through the basic of setting up different types and sizes of nano tanks. It then lists all of the requirements of many different species of fish, shrimp, snails, frogs, and crabs. There is even a section on plants. I bring this book with me when I visit aquarium shops to use as a quick reference guide. I would recommend this book to anyone who already has or is interested in starting up a freshwater aquarium. Happy Water Changes, Ed S.

Following the suggestions in this book for twenty gallon and smaller aquariums is a recipe for succeeding in a hobby where there are many temptations to buy beautiful fish that need aquariums

ten times or even a hundred times the size of a twenty gallon aquarium. Skim through the book, and then reread it a few times. By avoiding unsuitable plants, invertebrates, and fish, you will find a nearly infinite combination of possibilities for your five, ten, or twenty gallon aquarium. (or the equivalent in liters!)

A great guide for stocking your nano (20 gallon and under) tanks. This book includes fish, inverts, and plants that are suitable for smaller aquaria and will make your tank stand out. Well written with relevant species descriptions and great pictures. Perfect for beginners and useful for experienced keepers as well. Includes common and scientific names and most, if not all, of the species included are generally available; not just a fantasy wish list.

This is a good book for a beginner or intermediate hobbyist, a great resource for those who wish to know the true sizes, disposition, and habits of fish (especially important in the small 'nano' tanks). The book includes info about setting up your tank, and some great shrimp advice. Plants are covered here, too, with info regarding light, care, and size.

This is a great book on the topic of having a nano tank. I'd been out of fish-keeping for a number of years and so, when I dug up my old 10 gallon I was surprised to see that it is now classified as "nano." That used to be the size the average person had for an aquarium. But, times have changed. Nano tanks are anything up to and including 20 gallons. So, I picked up this book, more or less after I'd already decided on how to stock my 10 gallon. But, as I also had this great old terrarium glass container of about 4 to 5 gallons, I wanted to see what I could do w/that as an aquarium. I had gotten that up and running while I was cleaning out the old calcified tank. The book is divided into sections:--The nano-system about set-up and aquascaping for the most part.--Model nano communities, samples of what the author feels would be good stocking setups, including plants--The bulk of the book is considered a field guide with a picture of the fish, an overview, native range, max size (VERY important for small tanks), min. aquarium size (recommended by author), water parameters, feeding, and behavior & care.--Section on plants that remain small w/ above info--Section on invertebrates also w/above info This didn't include the Bloodfin Tetras I'd chosen, or the Albino Corydoras, but it did include the White Cloud Mountain Minnows and several other Corys and of course tetras along with the other of the 101 species. The field guide has color coding on the edge of the page so you see what size aquarium is recommended, 5, 10, and 15 are the choices the author fits the fish into. I did feel that most of the fish in the book were schooling fish and most of

those were recommended at having 8-10 of the species being discussed. While I'm sure I'd forgotten more about fish-keeping than I remembered, I figure there have to be a few more species ok for a "nano" tank? I mean that would take up the stocking for the 10 gallon right there! But, as a guideline, this book is great! If you're lucky enough to have a great LFS than you will have people you can ask specific questions. I've picked out several from the book and then go in and ask and they say yay or nay, depending upon things they've learned, i.e., temperature range may not be as important as consistent temperature. So, for my unheated tanks, even though the fish in the book recommend 76-80 degrees for example and mine stay at 75 in summer and 70 in winter, that may be ok for some species. In any case, this is an excellent book and I have referred to it often. I believe they have several others in the series (saltwater and non-nano being the 2 I remember, there may be a 3rd or 4th). Also, price at was \$5 cheaper than at Petco, where I originally saw the book.

This is a great book. It's like a handbook for nano aquarium keepers. Nano tanks are the new "in". Those days are gone when you had to dedicate a whole corner of your living room to make a fish tank. Now you can have a fish tank on your office desk. There are equipment, fish and plant that will fit just fine in a small nano tank. When I was making my first nano tank, I faced a lot of problems when it came to stocking the tank. I did not know which fish to buy which would be perfect for a nano tank. I wish they had this book then. Rachel and mark (authors) both are very experienced and reputed hobbyists. They have been keeping fish since many many years. They have narrowed down their interest to smaller fishes and plants. And that is why they wrote this book. They have talked about many fishes and plants like Chili rasbora and Anubias. And yeah, the book has some of my photos as well :)

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