



CARDINAL TETRA

Paracheirodon axelrodi



ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Very popular aquarium fish because of their brilliant blue and red colouring, Cardinals look best as a school in a planted tank. Sometimes sensitive, but usually quite hardy once they're settled. Difficult to breed. Most of the fishes in the trade are wild caught or bred in Indonesia.

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KEEPING SNAPSHOT

Difficulty:	Intermediate
Max Growth Size:	4 cm
Temperament:	Peaceful, community fish.

PREFERRED WATER PARAMETERS

Temperature:	23-26 degrees celsius
pH Level:	5.5-7
General Hardness:	Soft

RANGE

Venezuela, Colombia, Brazil

REPRODUCTION

Egg-scatterer among plants, needs soft water. Fry initially require very small foods. Difficult to induce to breed.

FEEDING

Omnivorous. Eats all normal foods, appreciates regular feedings of live or frozen foods.



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