

DESKTOP OASIS

# PRODUCT CATALOG

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## *Miniature Aquariums*

The perfect gift for friends,  
family, and coworkers

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**LIVE  
SHRIMP!**

**2017-2018** Collection

# AN AMAZING GIFT

*A living, breathing ecosystem that can survive for years*

The AquaCove is a self-sustaining aquarium that lets you get back to work, freeing up your time in the process. They're by far the easiest pet you will ever care for. No need to clean the tank or change the water. It's also easy on your wallet: no filters to buy, no food or gadget, just the AquaCove and you're ready to go!



## RED SHRIMP

The incredible *Halocaridina Rubra*, a red shrimp native to saltwater pools in Hawaii, can live and thrive in small spaces. In fact, NASA conducted a study to learn about their amazing ability to adapt to extreme environments. Their findings showed that this shrimp was able to survive by acting as a buffer to its environment. That is, it did not produce enough waste to cause dramatic swings in environmental conditions. In other words - it doesn't poop much. Not your typical pet!

**Latin Name** *Halocaridina Rubra*

**Size** 1.5 cm

**Lifespan** 1-5+ years



## THE AQUACOVE

Inside the air-tight glass is a miniature world, an ecosystem brimming with life. Millions of micro-organisms work together in a cycle with the *Halocaridina Rubra*, living in harmony for up to several years. Larger enclosures can last even longer as the shrimp survive by breeding for successive generations. Beautifully curved glass allows the environment to receive light at all angles, showing curious and interesting features of this microcosmic world. There's more detail the closer you look.

**No Water Changes**

**No Filters**

**No Feeding**

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# ABOUT US

## *Our history*

While stationed in the US Army in Hawaii, Jeffrey came across a curious species of shrimp called “Opae Ula,” Hawaiian for “Red Shrimp.” This amazing creature could live in jars of water for years without any outside support. Upon coming home to Boston,

Jeffrey was excited to start gifting small jars of Opae Ula to friends and coworkers. After several years of keeping and breeding the shrimp, he decided to start a business dedicated to preserving this species and spreading the joy they gave him.



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## WHY CHOOSE US?

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### Product Quality

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Our miniature aquariums are of the highest quality and guaranteed to meet or exceed your expectations. The AquaCove can survive for years without maintenance or feeding.



### Responsibility

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Our aquaculture facility breeds our shrimp responsibly, without any removal from their native habitat. Your purchase helps the Halocaridina Rubra species survive and thrive.



### Fast Shipping

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Every order is hand-delivered straight to your door. Recipient must be present to accept delivery as shipments contain live animals.



### Sustainability

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The most important lesson we can learn from this species is their ability to survive within their environment. We use sustainable methods to culture our aquariums.

# MY FRIENDS LOVE THIS GIFT

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*And almost everyone else for that matter. It's one of the most unique and inspiring gifts for friends, family, and coworkers.*

Each jar has been crafted to closely resemble the brackish water pools of Hawaii. It's brimming with life in a delicate balance of micro-organisms and nutrients, surrounded by natural coral rock and crushed sand.

Every habitat is hand-crafted and 100% unique, a truly personal gift. The AquaCove is by far the easiest pet you'll ever have. There's no need to clean or change the water, or even feed the shrimp. It's a self-sustaining ecosystem!

Look closely and you'll find bright red shrimp grazing on algae and bacteria. This remarkable species produces very little waste, which in turn converts less algae and bacteria, completing a life-cycle environment that balances out over time. This balance allows the aquarium to live for years without maintenance! A remarkable feat.

Our aquariums make a great first pet for kids, and adults love them too! I personally have several jars that are several years old and have never opened the lids. They've brought so much enjoyment to my work space.

Faced with life in the office, I founded Desktop Oasis to help people re-connect with nature. I hope this gift gives you a reason to pause, breathe deeply, reflect, and enjoy life.

*Jeffrey P. Wyman*

Jeffrey P. Wyman  
Shrimp Farmer



★ ★ ★  
**FREE SAMPLE FOR  
NEW CUSTOMERS**

## Amazing Stress Relief

Here's what one customer had to say about the stress relieving effects of having an AquaCove by their side:

"I have it on my desk and watch the shrimp swim every day. They make me more productive by bringing me so much joy. I also have cancer and they are helping me to heal. They relax me and remind me there is so much to live for."

- Amy Noel

They can add life to any work space or environment without much effort at all. The perfect blend of decoration and livelihood.

The AquaCove is compact and can fit snugly within your workspace, and sturdy enough to stay upright without toppling over easily. On your desk, it provides a quick escape from a busy day. Within seconds, you'll be swept away from stress. A couple deep breaths and your mind will be cleared, ready for the next task.

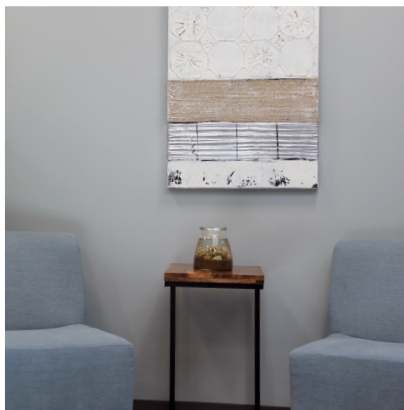


## A Brilliant Conversation Starter



### COUNTERS

Kitchen or office counters are a great spot for a miniature aquarium. They get lots of attention from all the foot traffic.



### TABLES

Businesses like them too! Reception areas are perfect for guests who have a few minutes to spare while they wait.



### WINDOW-SILLS

With some natural sun, the AquaCove looks amazing and will glitter and glow with rays of light. This is the ideal spot!

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# BEAUTIFULLY UNIQUE

*They'll look great on your shelves*

## Attractive Design

The curved glass enclosure ensures that all angles receive light and show interesting features of the mini-habitat. With the air-tight lid, even after months, the water level remains generally the same. Their size makes them delightfully compact and portable. AquaCoves can last for years, and even longer for larger enclosures as the shrimp survive through successive generations.



INCLUDED



## CANVAS TOTE

Included with smaller aquariums is a fun-sized canvas tote bag. It even has a see-through window towards the bottom.



## MINI SCRUBBER

Keep your glass clean with a mini scrubber. The magnet is easy to use to remove algae buildup on the interior glass.

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# INSIDE SCOOP

## Natural Coral Rock and Sand



### A Living Landscape

Look closer and they're anything but ordinary. Once alive, breathing and growing, these coral skeletons have found a new purpose: housing millions of micro-organisms. In a way, they're still alive, reef keeping hobbyists call them "live rock" because they are teeming with life. Essentially, these porous rocks act as a biological filter, allowing de-nitrifying bacteria to live, breed, and convert noxious waste into a benign form of nutrients which shrimp can later eat.



### Aragonite Sand

The ideal substrate for marine life. Maintains proper pH and encourages beneficial bacteria.

↗ Size N/A

🌀 Colors ● ● ●



### Coral Rubble

Porous rock from coral skeletons and calcareous algae. Cured for optimal ecology.

↗ Size 0.5" to 3"

🌀 Colors ● ●



### Large Coral

Available by request. Large, mostly intact pieces, great for center displays and showcases.

↗ Size 3" to 6"

🌀 Colors ●



## SIZES



### EXTRA-SMALL

Our smallest aquarium can house only 1 shrimp. Great for kids and small donations.

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 **Shrimp** 1

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 **Size** 4 x 4"

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 **Volume** 22 oz.



### SMALL

The curved glass gives a beautifully rounded view into your very own miniature oasis.

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 **Shrimp** 1-2

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 **Size** 4.5 x 4.5"

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 **Volume** 27 oz.



### SMALL STRAIGHT

Our most popular size. With slightly more room, your shrimp can stretch their legs.

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 **Shrimp** 1-2

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 **Size** 5.5 x 4"

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 **Volume** 32 oz.



### MEDIUM

With a space 50% larger, shrimp are more likely to breed in these containers.

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 **Shrimp** 4-6

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 **Size** 5.5 x 5.5"

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 **Volume** 42 oz.



### LARGE

Ideal for coral pieces and displays, you are bound to see shrimp swimming and grazing.

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 **Shrimp** 6-8

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 **Size** 6.5 x 6"

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 **Volume** 64 oz.



### EXTRA-LARGE

At this size, surviving generations are almost guaranteed. Great for long-term survival.

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 **Shrimp** 10-12

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 **Size** 7.5 x 6.5"

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 **Volume** 96 oz.

# It's Easy to Order!

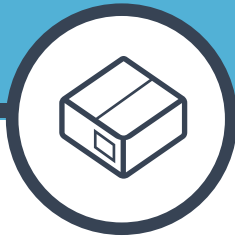
We've made our purchasing process as simple as possible. Your miniature aquariums will be on their way in no time!

- **Minimum Order:** \$100
- **Delivery:** Free for orders above \$200, otherwise \$15
- **Payment Methods:** Credit/Debit, Check, Cash on Delivery
- **Tax:** 6.25% MA Sales Tax



## REQUEST ACCESS

Before you can view our order and pricing page, you'll need to request access. Simply visit [desktopoasis.com/trade](http://desktopoasis.com/trade) and fill out the form, or email Jeffrey. [jeffrey@desktopoasis.com](mailto:jeffrey@desktopoasis.com)



## PLACE ORDER

Once your order is processed, our staff will reach out to you to confirm delivery. In the meantime, we'll prepare your miniature aquariums for shipment. Large orders may take longer to prepare.



## HAND DELIVERED

We'll arrive at the most convenient time for you and personally hand-deliver your new aquariums. If you have any questions, we'll be happy to answer them in person!

## HOW TO ORDER?



### STEP 1

Request access to our pricing and order page

Go to [www.desktopoasis.com/trade](http://www.desktopoasis.com/trade) and follow the instructions to request access.



### STEP 3

Select order and payment options

Fill your cart and complete your order by paying online through our secure portal, with check, or COD.



### STEP 2

Access our order page

If approved, you'll be granted access to our order page. Click the link sent to you through your email.



### STEP 4

Receive Aquariums

We'll schedule a mutually agreeable time to hand-deliver your order in person.

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# DETAILS

## *Terms and Conditions*

### **Returns**

Free exchange within 3 months of purchase. Discounted exchange within 6 months of purchase. Not liable for damaged glass or habitats. Customers must return aquarium fully intact for complete exchange.

### **Shelf Life**

These aquariums look great on shelves and will be perfectly happy to spend months in peace and quiet!

### **Free Samples**

Free samples are available to local small businesses, retail shops. Limit one aquarium per new customer.

## *Shrimp Questions*

### **Do I have to clean or feed?**

You do not have to feed or clean. Over time algae may build up on the inside of the glass, but cleaning is not necessary. A supply of algae is the food source for the shrimp and is not harmful in small quantities.

### **How long will they survive?**

Shrimp in AquaCoves can survive a few years (3+) if kept in the proper environment (stable temperatures with indirect light). Larger units can last longer (10+ years) through successive generations. Ultimately we cannot know how long a shrimp will live, so of course these are estimates and not guaranteed.

### **What happens if a shrimp dies?**

If you notice a pale, gray skeleton at the bottom, this is actually the molted exoskeleton of a living shrimp and a sign that the shrimp is healthy! Otherwise, if the body is pale red, or fuzzy, it may have died. It's normal for shrimp to die over time, but their death won't cause harm to other shrimp.


*Thanks for browsing!*

We have put a lot of thought and care into how our aquariums are presented and handled, with years of experience and dozens of very happy customers. We listen to our customers describe how much joy their aquarium brings them, and how amazed they are in that the shrimp are completely self-reliant in their miniature ecosystem. Desktop Oasis offers simple and easy terms for retailers including a low minimum order and clear pricing. This is a veteran-owned, small family business, ready to pick and pack your order quickly and with great care.



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