

baby cherry shrimps

Raising Cherry Shrimp Babies:

Do and Don'ts

Water Parameters



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| Temperature | 70 to 75 Degrees Fahrenheit |
| pH | 6.5 to 7.5 |
| GH | 6-8 ppm |
| KH | 1-4 ppm |
| TDS | 150-250 ppm |

Stress-free Environment

The **#1 thing** that contributes to baby shrimp's stress is **bad tank mates**.

Good Tank Mates

- Other shrimp species
- Dwarf suckers
- Small rasboras
- Small Tetras
- Snails

Bad Tank Mates

- Any fish that are aggressive (Barbs, Mollies, Serpea Tetra, Betta, etc.)
- Cichlids
- Discus
- Angelfish
- Fishes with a large mouth

Safe Environment

Shrimp tank probably has a **Hang On Back Filter**.

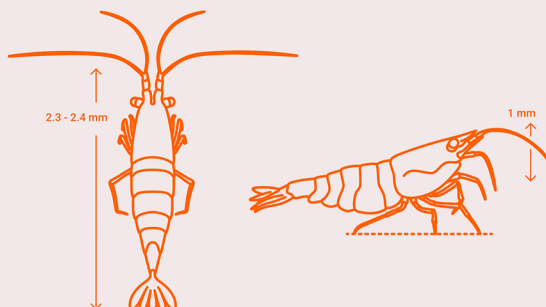
You'll have to cover the inlet pipe with a thin layer of filter media of Hang on Back Filter.

This will ensure that the baby shrimps don't get sucked into the filter.

Water Flow

Baby cherry shrimps can't swim well. If the shrimp tank has any instrument that creates water flow, check if it is too much for the baby shrimps.

This makes the baby shrimps stressed out.



Cherry shrimp babies are much more delicate than the adults. So, we'll have to take some special care of the cherry shrimp babies. These baby shrimp are so tiny that one can hardly see them. The size of baby cherry shrimp ranges from **2.3-2.4 mm**. Also, their height does not cross **over 1 mm**.

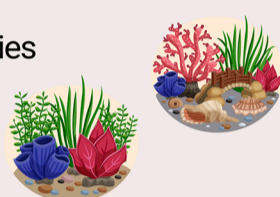
Plants and Moss

One thing that baby shrimps **need most** is lots of plants and moss.

- After being hatched, the baby cherry shrimps like to hide themselves for the first few days. That's why they need a bush of plants or thick moss.

- First few days, the baby shrimps don't eat any commercial food. **They live on biofilm and algae.** Plants and moss are wonderful for growing algae and biofilm.

- First few days, the babies generally stay stressed. A good bush of plants can relieve them from their stress.



Presence of Algae and Biofilm

Baby cherry shrimps mainly live on Algae and Biofilm. This is the primary source of food for them. So, your tank needs to have a decent amount of algae and biofilm.

While cleaning the aquarium glass, you can always leave one or two sides unscratched. It will ensure there is enough biofilm all the time for the baby shrimps.

Food For Baby Cherry Shrimps



- Helps to produce biofilm in the tank
- Contains all the essential bacteria that are vital for a shrimp tank
- Shoots up the survival rate of baby shrimps.

- The Aquatic Arts shrimp breeding facility uses this food in all of their shrimp tanks. So, you can imagine how reliable this food is!

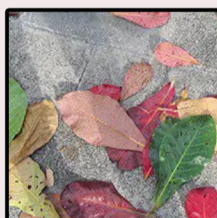
If you have

- less than 10 shrimps** — half of the measuring spoon a day
- 10-25 shrimps** — one full measuring spoon a day
- greater than 25 shrimps** — one full measuring spoon twice a day

Cholla Wood & Indian Almond Leaves

Baby Cherry Shrimps Love Cholla Wood & Indian Almond Leaves. These are not must for your shrimp tank. However, I can guarantee that your baby cherry shrimps will love you if you provide these too!

Cholla wood has lots of holes over it. The shrimps love to hide under this wood. It also allows a good growth of biofilm over the surface.



Things Not To Do

- If you have children in your home, make sure that he/she can't get her hands in the tank.
- Don't think that baby shrimps don't need any extra food other than algae and biofilm.
- Never buy any tank mate for your shrimp tank before doing proper research.
- Don't use a power filter in the shrimp tank.