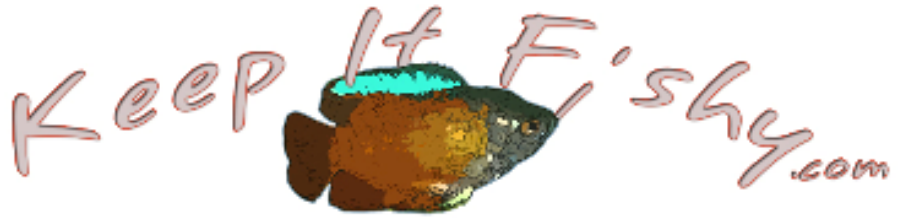


FISH DIARY v1.2

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I. Introduction

Thank you for downloading [FISH DIARY v1.2!](#)

[FISH DIARY](#) started out as a simple idea to create a personal program to keep a sort of log for water tests performed on our fish tanks as a means of being more organized. It struck us that it would be useful to have the opportunity to refer to previous events if the same diseases or deaths happened again.

From there we decided to expand the idea into a somewhat more-comprehensive program, wherein not only could you keep a diary or log for your fish tanks, but you could also keep track of all your fish information, plants, etc.

Despite the change in breadth of functionality, the original name stuck, thus [FISH DIARY](#) it is.

[FISH DIARY](#) is provided to you free of charge thanks to the donations we receive through our website. If you would like to support [KeepItFishy.com](#) and help ensure future development of [FISH DIARY](#), you may send us a small donation through PayPal.

Donate links are found - within [FISH DIARY](#) in the About form (click on the [?](#) icon)
- in our website's F.A.Q. section - <http://www.KeepItFishy.com/faq.htm>

II. Program Overview

Here's a brief overview of some of the features found in [FISH DIARY v1.2](#):

Tank Editor

- Here you keep track of your fish tanks - you can add, delete and edit any amount of tanks
- You have the option to add a picture for every tank.
- A dedicated "Notes" section allows you to enter comments for each tank.
- The program will automatically detect how many fish and plants/corals you have in each tank.
 - Alternatively, you can enter these numbers by hand if you would like.
- Supports Saltwater, Freshwater and Brackish water environments.

Fish Catalog

- Here you keep track of your fish and other marine life (except plants and corals).
- When adding Fish or Invertebrates, you will have the option of entering information manually or using our pre-loaded information, which covers most readily-available species.
- You have the option to add a picture for each fish or other marine life.
- A dedicated “Notes” section allows you to add any other information (i.e. behavior, health, etc) for each fish and other marine life.
- You may move fish and other marine life from one tank to another *only* if the origin and destination are both the same water type! (i.e. from saltwater only to saltwater).
 - Press and hold the left mouse button on the fish you would like to move. Once the mouse cursor changes to our Blue Discus logo, you can let go of the mouse! Just click on the tank you would like to move the fish to.

Plant/Coral Catalog

- Similar in design to the **Fish Catalog**, here you can add & maintain information for both plants and corals.
 - Some examples: scientific and common names, water parameters and supplements.
- When adding plants or corals, you will have the option of entering information manually or using our pre-loaded information, which covers most readily-available species.
- You have the option to add a picture for each plant or coral.
- A dedicated “Notes” section allows you to add any other information (i.e. lighting requirements, size, etc) for every plant or coral.
- You may move plants and corals from one tank to another *only* if the origin and destination are both the same water type! (i.e. from saltwater only to saltwater).
 - Press and hold the left mouse button on the plant or coral you would like to move. Once the mouse cursor changes to our Blue Discus logo, you can let go of the mouse! Just click on the tank you would like to move the plant or coral to.

Equipment Catalog

- Due to extreme range of products, this section is less specific to accommodate more equipment
- You can enter both the product's name (i.e. "Marineland Visi-Therm Deluxe") and a description (i.e. "200W Submersible Heater").
- You have the option to add a picture for each equipment piece.
- A dedicated “Notes” section allows you to add any other information (i.e. service or repair dates, etc) for every piece of equipment.
- You may move equipment from one tank to another:
 - Press and hold the left mouse button on the equipment you would like to move. Once the mouse cursor changes to our Blue Discus logo, you can let go of the mouse! Just click on the tank you would like to move the equipment to.

Log

- Here you keep track of all the changes and events that happen in your fish tank(s).
- To view the existing **Log** entries for a tank, select the name of the tank from the drop-down menu, and all the saved entries for that tank will be loaded.
- To add a new entry, click on "Add New Entry."

- The program will enter today's date and allow you to write in as much as you need.
 - We suggest being as detailed as possible for future reference.
- Every month **FISH DIARY Log** will automatically organize your entries by adding a separator in the text between months.
- To search through your log entries for a term (word or phrase), use **Keyboard Shortcut Control F**.
 - To search again, use **Keyboard Shortcut F3**.

Reminder Manager

- Here you can create, edit and delete reminders.
 - This is useful if you have to maintain a rigid maintenance or medication schedule, etc.
- You have the option to be notified with or without sound.
- You can choose a pre-set frequency, or create your own!
- If you would like to use your own sound file for the reminders:
 - The file must be in .WAV format.
 - The file must be 30 seconds or less.
 - Rename the file “myrem.wav” and place it in the “Files” folder within the program’s directory.
 - This will usually be C:\Program Files\Keep It Fishy\Fish Diary\Files\
- To use the default sound file again, simply delete your “myrem.wav” file.

NOTE:

In order for Reminder Manager to work, **FISH DIARY** must be allowed to run in the background! By default **FISH DIARY** will minimize to the system tray when “closing.” If you would like to change this, then:

Use **Keyboard Shortcut F8** to open the Preferences section. Here you can:

- Enable/Disable **FISH DIARY** ‘s animations
- Change between US gallons and UK gallons
- Choose to see pet, common or scientific names by default
- Make **FISH DIARY** terminate rather than minimize on close
 - **NOTE: Reminders will not work if you force FISH DIARY to close!**

Keyboard Shortcuts

Here are some of the most useful **Keyboard Shortcuts** in **FISH DIARY**.

For all other **Keyboard Shortcuts** and those specific to each form, please see Help Guide.

F1 – Opens the Help Guide.

Control S – Saves any changes made.

Control D – Deletes selected item.

Control P – Opens **PicViewer 1.0**.

Arrow Keys Left & Right – Cycles through images while in **PicViewer 1.0**.

F8 – Opens the Preferences section.

Esc – Closes opened section and returns to previous section.

III. Minimum Requirements

FISH DIARY v1.2 is neither processor- nor memory-intensive, and is expected to run optimally in most computer systems.

Operating System:

- **FISH DIARY** was designed for use in Microsoft Windows 2000 or newer, and therefore all other operating systems (such as MAC or LINUX) are **NOT SUPPORTED** in version 1.2.

Minimum Screen Resolution:

- A minimum screen resolution of 1024x768 pixels is required, as any lower resolution would not be able to accommodate **FISH DIARY**'s graphical interface.
- **FISH DIARY** is designed to accommodate virtually any higher resolution in its animation.

IV. Known Issues

As of v1.2, there are no known issues with **FISH DIARY**.

We have done our best to test, double test, and triple test every aspect of the program using several different computer systems.

If you experience any problems using **FISH DIARY**, please don't hesitate to contact us right away! We will do our best to address the issue for you, as well as prevent it from happening to anyone else!

V. Contact Information

You may contact us at any time through our website at:

www.KeepItFishy.com/contact.aspx

Please feel free to use the contact form found in the link above to ask for support, send suggestions, contact the webmaster, or anything else you would like.

We are always happy to hear from you!

Thank you for your support and we truly hope that you will enjoy using this program as much as we have enjoyed creating it for you!

Sincerely,

The Keep It Fishy Team