



50 litre rule for discus fish a myth:

We don't know exactly where the 50 litre rule myth for discus fish came from, but we consider it very much outdated and, for rearing young fish, even dangerous!

In our opinion, the most important thing when it comes to keeping our STENDKER discus fish is to ensure that the group consists of generally at least 10 discus. (See also cichlid behaviour: http://diskuszucht-stendker.de/plugins_en/pdfs/1.4_Diskus-Buntbarsch-Cichlidverhalten_en.pdf).

The aquarium size is of secondary importance, but for a group of 10 adult discus should be not less than 350 litres.

For breeding a group of about 10 discus, a 180 litre aquarium is even better than a 350 litre aquarium, as it results in greater food envy, better food intake, more even growth and a stronger immune system. Rearing a group like this and with thrice-daily feeding with our Good Heart professional discus food usually allows the fish to be reared without the aid of medicines. Once they reach 12–14 cm, however, the discus group should be transferred to a 350 litre or larger aquarium.

We would once again point out that the information we provide relates specifically to our STENDKER discus fish and not to wild-caught discus or discus from other breeders.

More information on caring for and keeping our STENDKER discus fish can be found at: <http://diskuszucht-stendker.de/en/Wissenswertes/>.