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List of changes:

N/A

## Media Bed Aquaponics

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## **Material List**



Food grade Intermediate Bulk Container (IBC), #1



T-40 screwdriver or equivalent size flat-head screwdriver, #1



Number of steps: 22

Lava gravel Ø=12-18mm, 230 liters



Water pump, minimum 1 meter head & 1200L/h flow rate . #1



Measuring tape or ruler, minimum 2 meters



Pencil or pen, #1



Plastic pipe Ø=30-33mm, 1 meter



Hacksaw, #1



Ammonia source for cycling, see References



Opaque flexible pipe/hose Ø dependent on water pump outlet, 1.5 meters



Drill, #1



Fish fry, maximum 5kg total biomass full grown (10 fish, 500g each)



Wood pallete (1000mm x 1200mm), #2



5mm drill bit, #1



Chosen seedling species



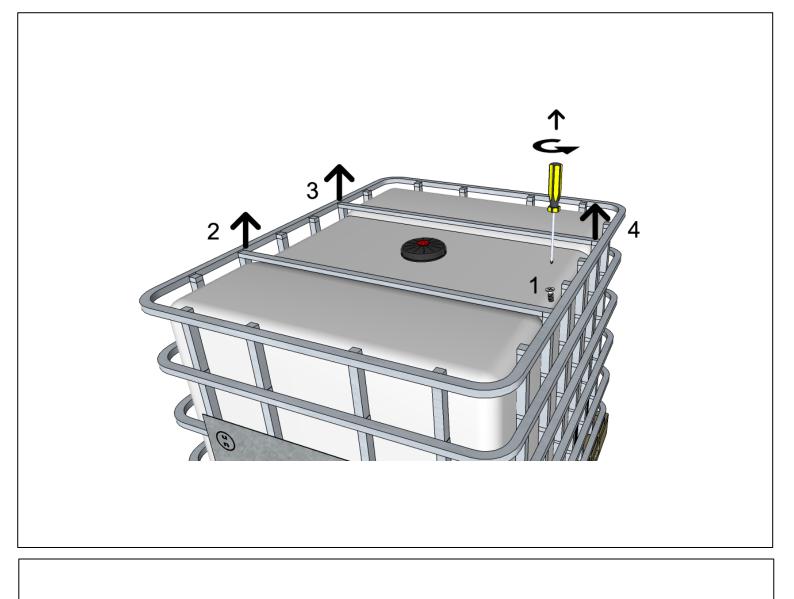
Plastic pipe Ø=15cm, 23 centimeters

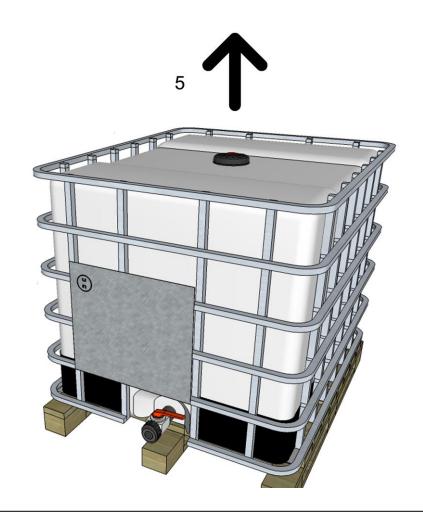


30mm drill bit, #1



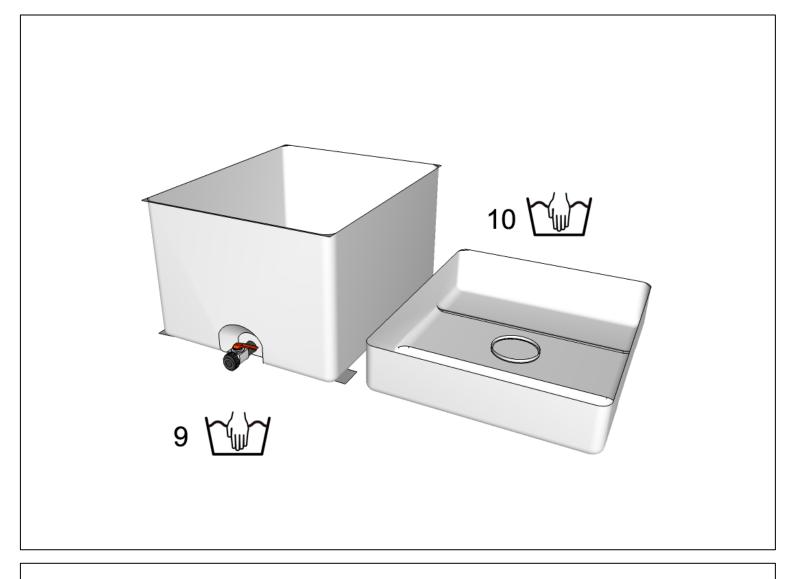
Fish feed, maximum 50g/day

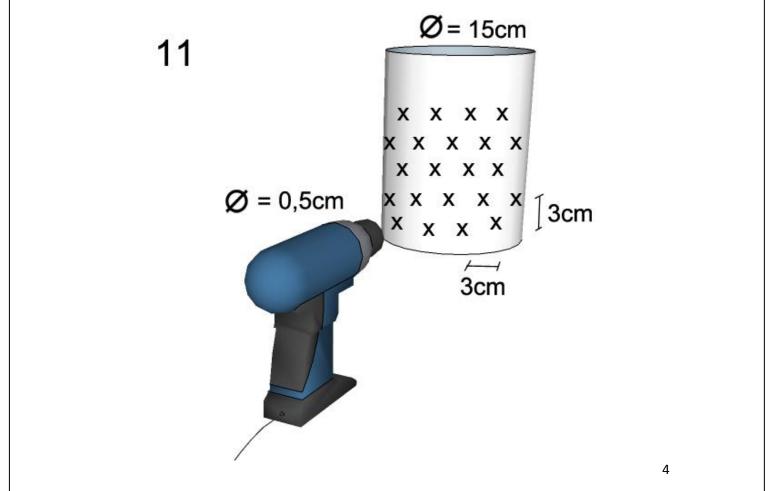


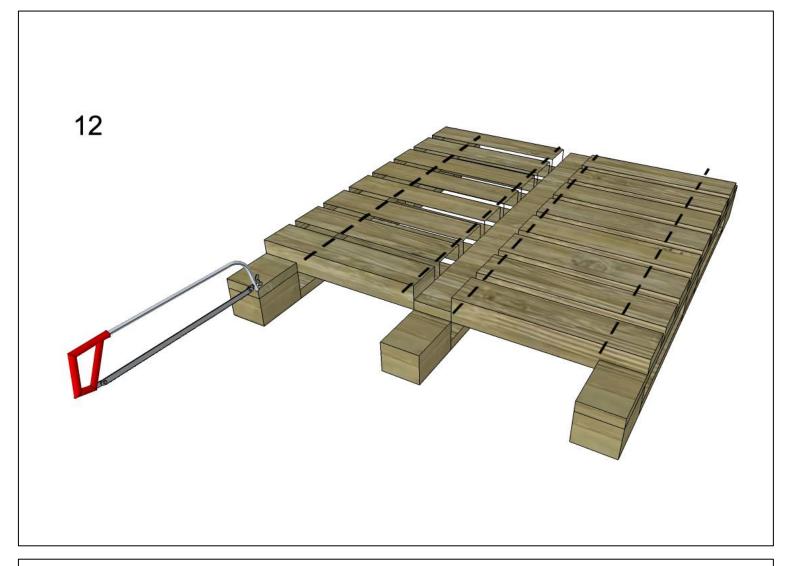


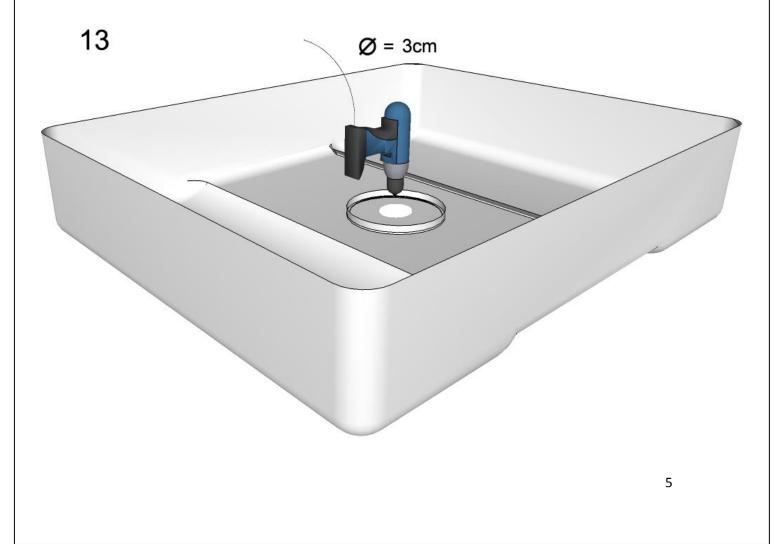


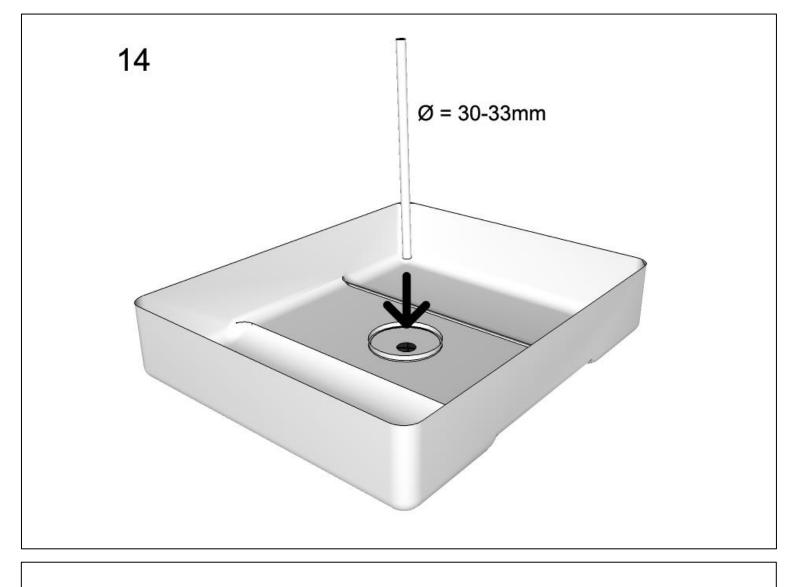


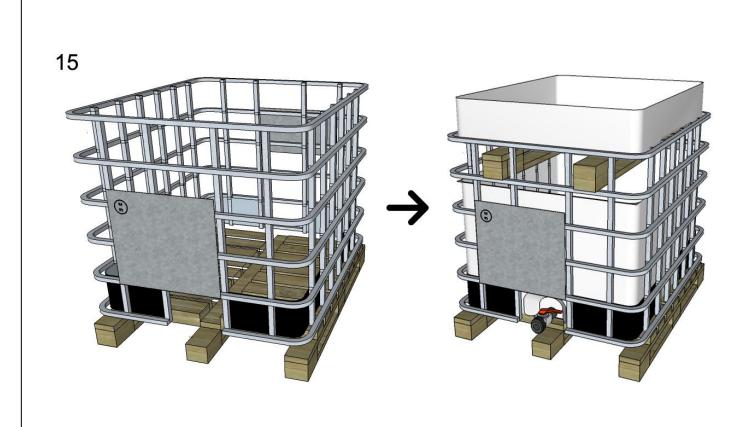


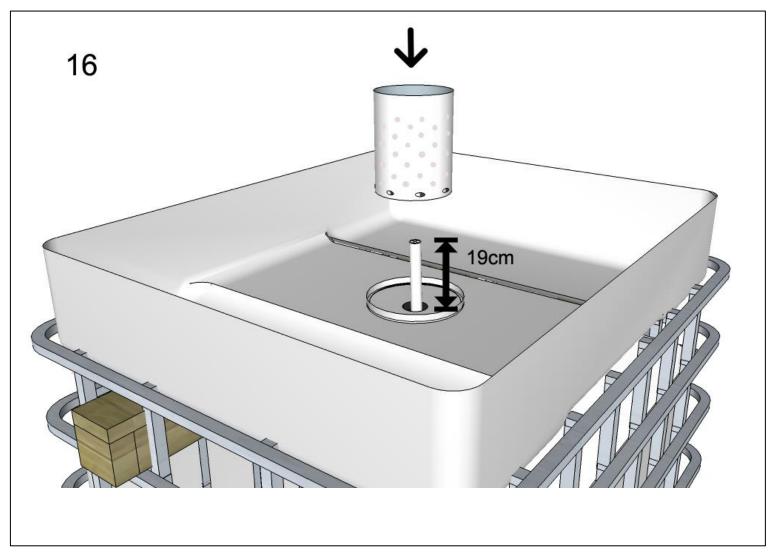


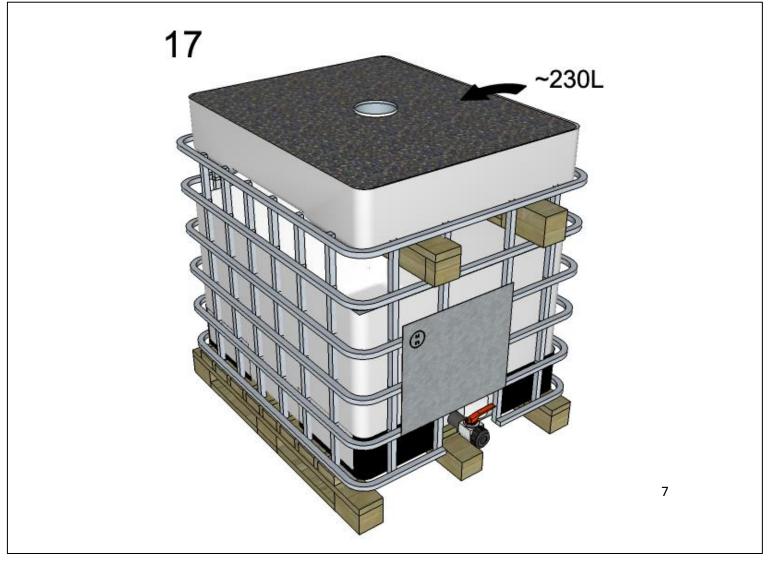


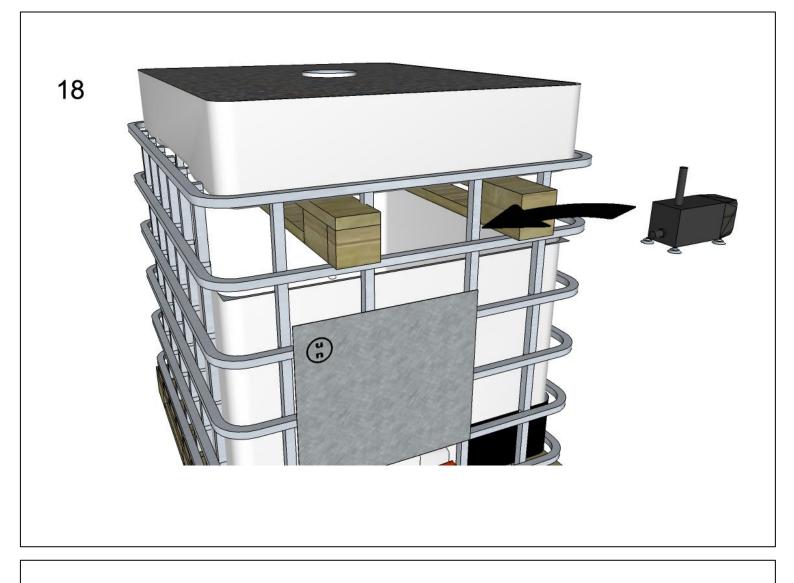


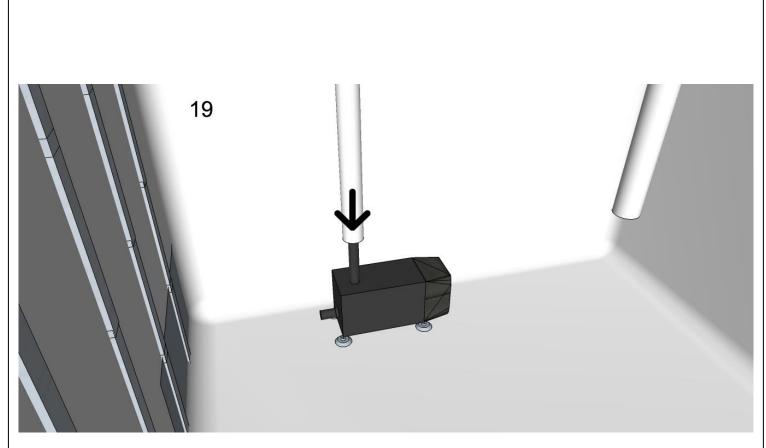


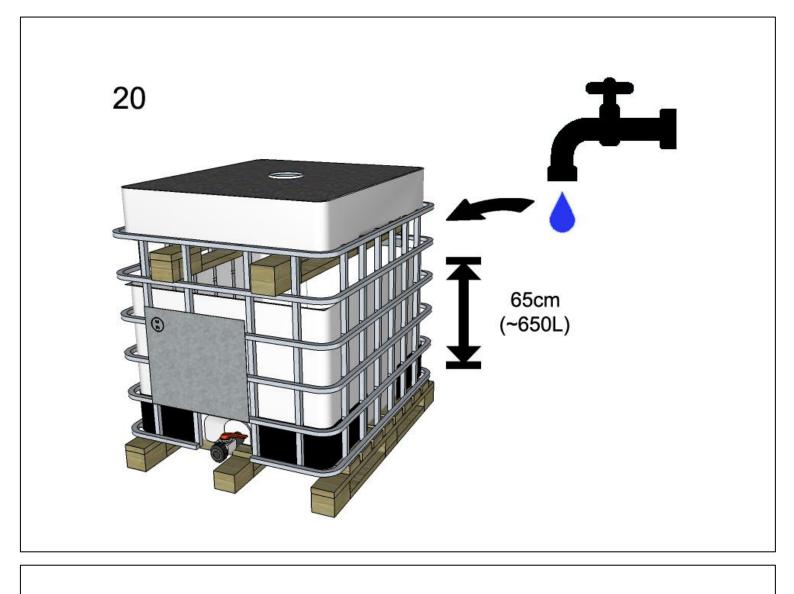


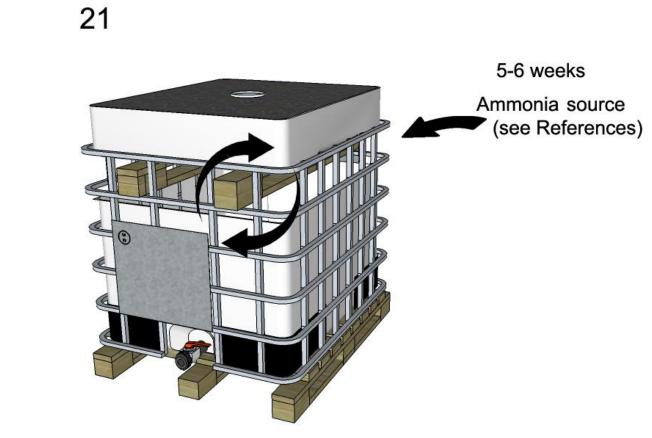


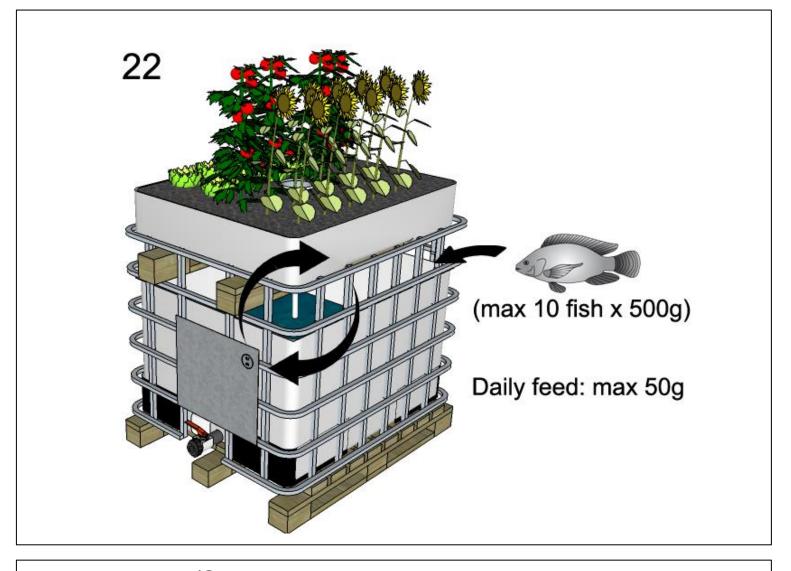












## Known Issues/Suggestions:

- Intermediate Bulk Container might be a too expensive solution for many individuals;
- Lava gravel, while cheap, can be very heavy and hard on the hands;
- Grow area support using a wood palette might not be strong enough;
- Overall, most materials used are still hard to find in many parts of the world;
- The system requires a reliable source of electricity.

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