

Dragnet

Using a Dragnet

Use of the dragnet for koi handling

1. With two people round up all the koi while keeping the poles on the bottom. The draw string is held in the hand.
2. Note: The lead-line is always ahead in the direction of movement.



3. With all the fish surrounded, pull the draw-string to close the lead-line like a purse net.
4. The net must be deep enough to allow the fish to gather under the net and not jump out.
5. Lift the cork-line if the fish do get jumpy.

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6. Lift the lead-line from the pond with all the fish in the net. Use the poles and additional poles to support the net.
7. Netting is a stressful procedure for fish, especially if they are not handled often. Do it quickly without adding to their stress.
8. DO not run the koi “dry” and DO provide additional aeration rather sooner than later. DO not let them gape for air.

9. The lead-line drawn with the draw-string.
10. For frequent use it is advisable to fit welded rings or large *key rings* for the draw string.
11. For occasional use a lightweight 2mm polyethylene type line is fine.

