





FLOATING-LEAF PONDWEED

Potamogeton natans

Habitat Preference

Found on the surface of quiet waters of lakes, ponds, marshes, swamps, swales, sloughs and slow-moving streams. Requires water high in nutrients.

Characteristics

Vegetative

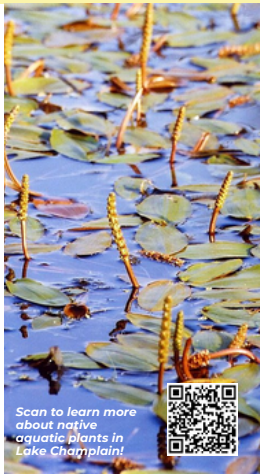
Oblong floating leaves and submersed blades, both alternately arranged. Leaf attaches to stalk and looks pinched

Flowers

Green-red inflorescence with 4 sepals. Small dry fruit with one seed.

Ecological Contributions to Lake Champlain

- Fruit provides valuable grazing opportunities for ducks and geese.
- Oxygenates of lakes and ponds.
- Provides habitats for many micro and macro invertebrates.



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