

# Freshwater Plant Habitat Checklist

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Scientific name	Common name	Habitat	Status*
<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>	alligator weed	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Azolla caroliniana</i>	Carolina mosquito fern	Floating	N
<i>Bacopa caroliniana</i>	lemon bacopa	Emersed & Submersed	N
<i>Bidens laevis</i>	bur-marigold	Emersed	N
<i>Brasenia schreberi</i>	water shield	Floating	N
<i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	fanwort	Submersed	N
<b>Carex species</b>	caric sedges	Emersed	N
<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	buttonbush	Emersed	N
<i>Ceratophyllum demersum</i>	coontail	Submersed	N
<b>Chara species</b>	muskgrass	Submersed	N
<i>Cicuta mexicana [now maculata]</i>	water hemlock	Emersed	N
<i>Cladium jamaicense</i>	saw-grass	Emersed	N
<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>	wild taro	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Cyperus odoratus</i>	flatsedge	Emersed	N
<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	swamp loosestrife	Emersed	N
<i>Echinodorus cordifolius</i>	creeping burhead	Emersed	N
<i>Egeria densa</i>	common waterweed	Submersed	NN, I
<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	water hyacinth	Floating	NN, I
<i>Eleocharis baldwinii</i>	road-grass	Emersed	N
<i>Eleocharis equisetoides</i>	jointed spikesedge	Emersed	N
<i>Fuirena scirpoidea</i>	rush fuirena	Emersed	N
<i>Habenaria blephariglottis [now H. repens]</i>	water-spider orchid	Emersed	N
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla	Submersed	NN I
<i>Hydrocotyle (H. umbellata, H. ranunculoides)</i>	water pennywort	Emersed or Floating	N
<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i>	East Indian hygrophila	Submersed	NN, I
<i>Hymenachne amplexicaulis</i>	West Indian marsh grass	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i>	water spinach	Emersed (vine)	NN, I
<i>Ipomoea fistulosa [now I. carnea]</i>	bush morning-glory	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	soft rush	Emersed	N



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<i>Juncus megacephalus</i>	large-headed rush	Emersed	N
<i>Landoltia punctata</i> [now <i>Spirodela punctata</i> ]	dotted duckweed	Floating	NN
<i>Lemna valdiviana</i>	small duckweed	Floating	N
<i>Limnobium spongia</i>	frog's-bit	Floating	N
<i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i>	limnophila	Submersed	NN, I
<i>Ludwigia alternifolia</i>	seedbox	Emersed	N
<i>Ludwigia peruviana</i>	Peruvian primrose willow	Emersed	N / NN (experts disagree)
<i>Luziola fluitans</i> [now <i>Hydrochloa carolinensis</i> ]	(southern) water grass	Emersed	N
<i>Mayaca fluviatilis</i>	bog moss	Submersed	N
<i>Micranthemum glomeratum</i>	baby's tears	Submersed	N
<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	parrot feather	Submersed	N
<i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i>	water-milfoil	Submersed	N
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian water milfoil	Submersed	NN, I
<i>Najas guadalupensis</i>	southern naiad	Submersed	N
<i>Nelumbo lutea</i>	American lotus	Floating	N
<i>Nitella</i> species	stonewort	Submersed	N
<i>Nuphar advena</i> ( <i>Nuphar lutea</i> )	spatterdock, cow lily	Floating	N
<i>Nymphaea odorata</i>	fragrant water lily	Floating	N
<i>Nymphoides aquatica</i>	banana lily	Floating	N
<i>Nymphoides flowers</i> ( <i>Nymphoides cristata</i> & <i>Nymphoides indica</i> )	crested floating heart & water snowflake (respectively)	Floating	NN, I
<i>Panicum hemitomon</i>	maidencane	Emersed	N
<i>Panicum repens</i>	torpedo grass	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	common or giant reed	Emersed	N
<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>	water lettuce	Floating	N / NN (experts disagree)
<i>Polygonum densiflorum</i>	dense-flower knotweed	Emersed	N
<i>Polygonum hydropiperoides</i>	swamp smartweed	Emersed	N
<i>Pontederia cordata</i>	pickerelweed	Emersed	N
<i>Potamogeton illinoensis</i>	Illinois pondweed	Submersed	N



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<i>Potamogeton pusillus</i>	small pondweed	Submersed	N
<i>Proserpinaca</i> ( <i>P. palustris</i> , <i>P. pectinata</i> )	marsh mermaid-weed	Emersed	N
<i>Rhynchospora cephalantha</i>	bunched beaksedge	Emersed	N
<i>Rhynchospora colorata</i> [now <i>Dichromena colorata</i> ]	star-rush, White-top sedge	Emersed	N
<i>Rhynchospora inundata</i>	inundated beakrush	Emersed	N
<i>Sacciolepis striata</i>	American cupscale-grass	Emersed	N
<i>Sagittaria filiformis</i> [now <i>S. stagnorum</i> ]	threadleaf arrowhead	Emersed	N
<i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	grassy arrowhead	Emersed	N
<i>Sagittaria lancifolia</i>	duck potato	Emersed	N
<i>Salvinia minima</i>	water fern	Floating	N
<i>Salvinia molesta</i>	giant salvinia	Floating	NN, I
<i>Saururus cernuus</i>	lizard's-tail	Emersed	N
<i>Scirpus californicus</i>	southern bulrush, giant bulrush	Emersed	N
<i>Scirpus cubensis</i>	burhead sedge	Emersed	NN
<i>Solanum tampicense</i>	wetland nightshade	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Sparganium americanum</i>	bur-reed	Emersed	N
<i>Spirodela polyrhiza</i>	giant duckweed	Floating	N
<i>Thalia geniculata</i>	fire flag	Emersed	N
<i>Typha</i> ( <i>T. domingensis</i> , <i>T. latifolia</i> )	cat-tails	Emersed	N
<i>Urochloa mutica</i>	para grass	Emersed	NN, I
<i>Utricularia purpurea</i>	Eastern purple bladderwort	Submersed	N
<i>Utricularia radiata</i>	little floating bladderwort	Submersed	N
<i>Vallisneria americana</i>	eel, grass, tape grass	Submersed	N
<i>Wolffia columbiana</i>	water meal	Floating	N
<i>Wolffiella floridana</i>	mud-midget	Floating	N
<i>Zizania aquatica</i>	wild-rice	Emersed	N
<i>Zizaniopsis miliacea</i>	giant cut grass	Emersed	N