

Pickerelweed

Pontederia cordata

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Invasive species native to America. **Rare** in the wild in Belgium

Found in **marshes** and shallow **stagnant waters**



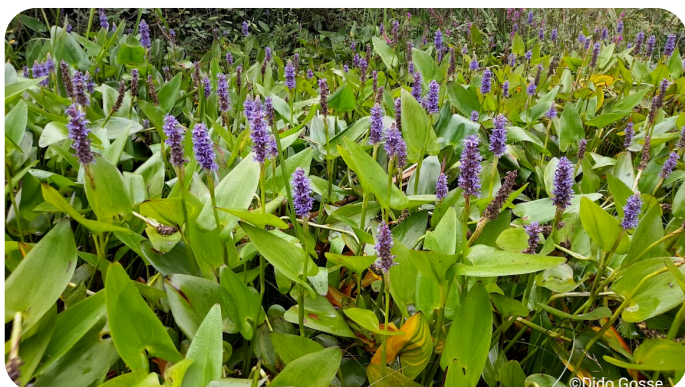
Aquatic perennial plant.
From 60 to 100 cm high

Lanceolate to heart-shaped leaves that can grow up to 12 cm wide and 25 cm long



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Rhizomatous plant forming **dense mats** along banks



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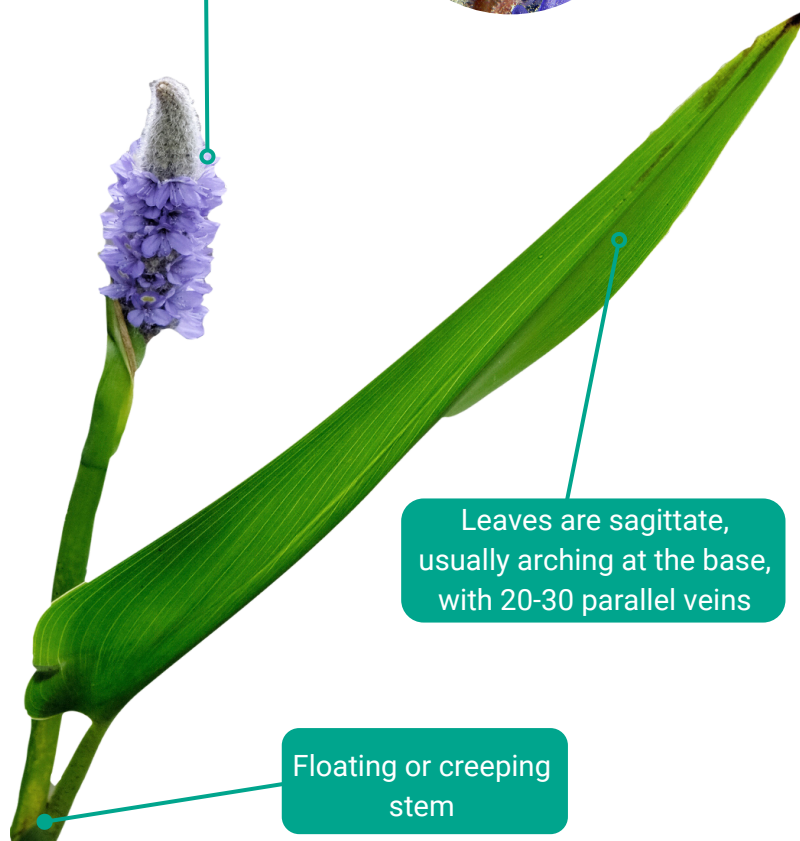


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Blue flowers (sometimes white) aggregated in dense spikes (June-September)

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Leaves are sagittate, usually arching at the base, with 20-30 parallel veins

Floating or creeping stem

Not to be confused with



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Sagittaria spp. - Native

- White flowers gathered in a bunch
- Arrow-shaped leaves which are acutely indented



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