

Aquatic Invaders in our Backyard Ponds - Resources

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ONLINE RESOURCES:

Native plant lists, includes aquatic plants

Lake Erie Allegheny Partnership for Biodiversity native plant web page:
<https://www.leapbio.org/native-plants>

Native aquatic plant guide: <https://www.ohwetlands.org/native-plants--wetland-gardens.html>

Cleveland Metroparks Landscaping for Biodiversity with Ohio Native Plants:
https://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/getmedia/e579ab31-72d8-43b8-9cf9-084dc568b0f4/Landscaping-for-Biodiversity_2017-3.pdf.ashx

Places to check on plant native status

USDA PLANTS Database: search for the scientific name of the plant (i.e. Hydrilla verticillata) to see range map and status of plants in Ohio

<https://plants.sc.egov.usda.gov/java/>

USGS Non-Indigenous Database: a powerful database with maps, point records, and excellent histories and many aquatic invasive species. The authoritative source for data in the United States.

<https://nas.er.usgs.gov/>

Species Specific Information

Great Lakes Hydrilla Collaborative: Clearing house for information about “The world’s worst water weed” Hydrilla.

<http://hydrillacollaborative.com/>

European Frog-bit Collaborative: Connecting stakeholders to advance research and the management of European frog-bit in the Great Lakes

<https://www.efbcollaborative.com/>

State of Ohio aquatic invasive species guidebook

<https://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/products/4j7wz/ohio-field-guide-to-ais>

Biology and Control of Aquatic Plants, 4th edition:

<http://aquatics.org/bmpchapters/BMP4ed.pdf>

PRINTED RESOURCES

Guidebooks recommended by Eugene Braig, Aquatic Ecosystems Program Director for Ohio State University's Extension:

Chadde, S. W. 2012. A Great Lakes wetland flora: a complete guide to the wetland and aquatic plants of the Midwest, 4th ed. CreateSpace Independent Publishing, Scotts Valley, California.

Crow, G. E., and C. B. Hellquist. 2006. Aquatic and wetland plants of northeastern North America, vols. 1–2. University of Wisconsin Press, Madison.

Fassett, N. C. 1957. A manual of aquatic plants (revised edition). University of Wisconsin Press, Madison.

Skawinski, P. M. 2014. Aquatic plants of the upper Midwest: A photographic field guide to our underwater forests. Self-published (ISBN 978-0-692-28095-9), Wisconsin.