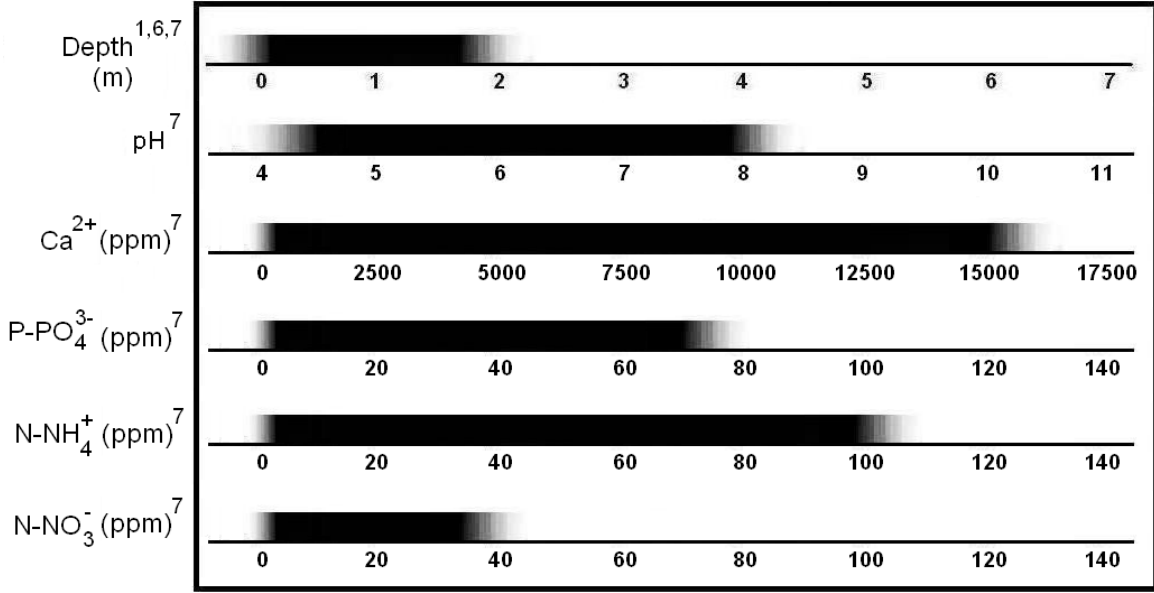


Aquatic Plant Old World arrowhead; Giant arrowhead; Hawaii arrowhead


I. Current Status and Distribution *Sagittaria sagittifolia*

a. Range	Global/Continental	Wisconsin
Native Range Temperate Europe and Asia ^{1,2}	Not recorded in the United States ³	Not recorded in Wisconsin
Abundance/Range Widespread: Locally Abundant: Sparse:	Undocumented Hawaii, Mexico, Cuba, Argentina, New Zealand, Australia ^{4,5} Undocumented	Not applicable Not applicable Not applicable
Range Expansion Date Introduced: Rate of Spread:	Undocumented Undocumented	Not applicable Not applicable
Density Risk of Monoculture: Facilitated By:	Can produce up to 236 plants/m ² (7) Undocumented	Undocumented Undocumented
b. Habitat	Ponds, lakes, canals, swamps, marshes, bogs, reservoirs, rivers, bays, oxbows, rice paddies, coastal pools ^{1,4,5}	
Tolerance	Chart of tolerances: Increasingly dark color indicates increasingly optimal range ^{1,6,7}	



Preferences Slow-flowing shallow waters^{4,5,6,7}; muddy or loamy substrates^{4,7}; eutrophic conditions⁷

c. Regulation	
Noxious/Regulated ³ :	Federal Noxious Weed List; AL, CA, MA, NC, OR, SC, VT
Minnesota Regulations:	<i>Not regulated</i>
Michigan Regulations:	<i>Not regulated</i>
Washington Regulations:	<i>Not regulated</i>

II. Establishment Potential and Life History Traits	
a. Life History	Perennial, herbaceous, stoloniferous emergent aquatic or wetland plant ^{4,5}
Fecundity	Undocumented
Reproduction Importance of Seeds: Vegetative:	Can produce up to 25,000 seeds/m ² ⁽⁷⁾ Can reproduce vegetatively by tubers ^{1,7}
Hybridization	<i>Sagittaria x lunata</i> (<i>S. sagittifolia</i> x <i>S. natans</i>) ^{1,8}
Overwintering Winter Tolerance: Phenology:	Frost tolerant ^{4,6} ; can survive temperatures to at least -10°C ⁽⁶⁾ Flowers in mid-summer with seeds ripening through the fall ^{4,6}
b. Establishment	
Climate Weather: Wisconsin-Adapted: Climate Change:	Sub-arctic to tropical environments ^{4,5} Likely Undocumented
Taxonomic Similarity Wisconsin Natives: Other US Exotics:	High (genus <i>Sagittaria</i>) ³ High (<i>S. guayanensis</i> , <i>S. montevidensis</i>) ³
Competition Natural Predators: Natural Pathogens: Competitive Strategy: Known Interactions:	<i>Lymnaea stagnalis</i> (snail) ^{9,10,11} ; <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> (common carp) ¹² ; <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> (mallard) ¹³ ; <i>Anas crecca</i> (teal) ¹³ ; water rodents ⁷ ; wild pigs ⁷ <i>Alternaria bahraichensis</i> (fungus) ¹⁴ Undocumented Undocumented
Reproduction Rate of Spread: Adaptive Strategies:	Undocumented Highly adaptable in morphology and physiology to varying environmental conditions ^{4,5,7}
Timeframe	Undocumented
c. Dispersal	
Intentional: Unintentional: Propagule Pressure:	Ornamental ⁷ Wind/water currents ^{4,5,7} ; ichthyochory ¹² ; waterfowl ^{7,13,15} Low; fragments easily introduced but source populations not reported in the United States
	
<p>Figure 2: Courtesy of Christian Fischer, Wikimedia Commons¹⁶ Figure 3: Courtesy of Malcolm Storey, BioImages¹⁷</p>	

III. Damage Potential	
a. Ecosystem Impacts	
Composition	Can rapidly overgrow entire ponds ⁷
Structure	Stands of plants can increase sediment retention ¹⁸
Function	Undocumented
Allelopathic Effects	Undocumented
Keystone Species	Undocumented
Ecosystem Engineer	Undocumented
Sustainability	Undocumented
Biodiversity	Undocumented
Biotic Effects	Undocumented
Abiotic Effects	Can alter the oxygen regime ⁷
Benefits	Provides habitat for juvenile fish and zooplankton ¹⁹ ; provide egg laying habitat for dragonflies and damselflies ²⁰
b. Socio-Economic Effects	
Benefits Caveats	Ornamental trade ⁷ ; ethno-medicinal plant ^{4,6,21,22} ; remediation of water contaminated with heavy metals ^{23,24,25,26} ; feed for farm animals ⁷ Risk of release and population expansion outweigh benefits of use
Impacts of Restriction	Increase in monitoring, education, and research costs
Negatives	Can disrupt water flow in irrigation systems, drains, and waterways ^{4,5} ; predominant weed of rice fields ^{27,28,29}
Expectations	Undocumented
Cost of Impacts	Decreased recreational and aesthetic value; decline in ecological integrity; increased research expenses
“Eradication” Cost	Undocumented
IV. Control and Prevention	
a. Detection	
Crypsis:	High; several species of <i>Sagittaria</i> spp.
Benefits of Early Response:	Undocumented
b. Control	
Undocumented	

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