

Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum

Common name:

Watercress

Origin:

North Africa, Europe, and the Middle East

Key features:

Stems: Hollow stems can grow flat on mud or be fully or partially submersed

Leaves: Leaves are pinnately compound have 3-9 segments and vary in shape, the terminal leaf is the largest in each segment

Flowers: Small white and green flowers; four white petals with four long and 2 short stamens

Fruits/Seeds: Fruit is pod-like silique, 0.4-0.6 in. (10-15 mm) long, with seeds in two rows per side

Reproduction: Fragmentation and seed

Easily confused species:

Onerow yellowcress: *Rorippa microphylla*



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