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# Nymphaea odorata

## Fragrant Waterlily



A beautiful plant for open, quiet, shallow water. Flowers, floating on the surface of the water, are white or pale pink, very fragrant. Leaves are round, also floating, green above and purple beneath.

**Suggested companions:** (at the water's edge) arrowhead (*Sagittaria latifolia*), soft-stemmed rush (*Juncus effusus*), sedges (*Carex* sp.).

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Plant Type: Wildflower

Size: .5-1' H  
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Water Tolerant: Very

Habitat:  
Open Shallow Water

Soil: Very Damp/Wet

Exposure: sun

Flower Color:

White

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Bloom Time:

June  
July  
August

Other Attributes:

Water plant  
Fragrant  
Wildlife attracting