# Broadleaf Arrowhead*

***Sagittaria latifolia***



*Broadleaf Arrowhead foliage*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Plant Height: 24 inches

Flower Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6b

Other Names: Duck Potato

**Description:**

This native wetland plant features upright, arrowhead shaped green leaves; spreads by tuberous runners into a large colony; racemes of white flowers in summer; an excellent pond or container plant

**Ornamental Features**

Broadleaf Arrowhead features dainty racemes of white flowers rising above the foliage from early to late summer. Its attractive textured pointy leaves remain green in colour throughout the season.

**Landscape Attributes**

Broadleaf Arrowhead is an herbaceous perennial with a low habit of growth, spreading atop the surface of the water. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should be cut back in late fall in preparation for winter. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Broadleaf Arrowhead is ideally suited for growing in a pond, water garden or patio water container, and is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Water Gardens
- Container Planting
- Bog Gardens

**Planting & Growing**

Broadleaf Arrowhead will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity extending to 3 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 4 feet. Its foliage tends to remain dense right to the water, not requiring facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant does best in full sun to partial shade. As an aquatic plant, it requires a suitable water garden environment and will benefit from special planting and ongoing care practices; consult one of our in-store experts for further details and instructions. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America. It can be propagated by division.

Broadleaf Arrowhead is a fine choice for the water garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in outdoor pots and containers, aquatic plants like this one will require a special growing environment that meets their requirement for consistent moisture. Be aware that in our climate, this plant may be too tender to survive the winter if left outdoors in a container. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.

This plant is not reliably hardy in our region, and certain restrictions may apply; contact the store for more information.

** This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details*