



## ILLINOIS STATUS

- common     endangered     threatened  
 native     exotic

## ILLINOIS RANGE

northern 2/3

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

Illinois Department of Natural Resources. 1999.  
*Biodiversity of Illinois, Volume I: Aquatic Habitats* CD-ROM.

## sago pondweed

*Potamogeton pectinatus*

Kingdom:            Plantae  
Division/Phylum: Anthophyta - flowering plants  
Class:  
Order:  
Family:

## FEATURES

Sago pondweed is an aquatic, perennial herb with thick roots. Arranged alternately along the stem, its leaves are stiff, round and hairlike. These submersed leaves appear bushy in the water.

## BEHAVIORS

Sago pondweed grows in standing water in lakes, ponds and streams. Growing completely under the surface of the water, this plant's leaves spread to resemble a fan. It flowers from July through September.

## HABITATS

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> bottomland forests                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> rivers & streams |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> lakes, ponds & reservoirs | <input type="checkbox"/> swamps                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lake Michigan                        | <input type="checkbox"/> temp water supplies         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> marshes                              | <input type="checkbox"/> wet prairies & fens         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> peatlands                            |  |