



Areas at Risk of Colonisation in the UK. *L. grandiflora* has been found in low lying ponds adjacent to the coast. However, there are several sites where it has been deliberately planted as an ornamental. It is tolerant of British winter temperatures and its occurrence is predicted to be widespread in ponds anywhere at low altitudes.

Ludwigia grandiflora **(Water Primrose)**

Field Recognition Guide

Preferred habitat: static shallow water-courses, ponds, ditches, with gently sloping muddy margins. Dead stems are visible in winter with green growth starting in March or early April. Flowers from July onwards.

Key features: Deltoid (triangular) bracteoles at base of petiole. Prostrate form: leaves alternate on stem, oval in shape with distinct petiole and obvious opposite veins. Adventitious roots at nodes. Upright form: Leaves alternate on stem, elongated with obvious opposite veins. Flowers bright yellow 5 with petals.

Reporting: please inform the Non Native Species Secretariat at www.nonnative-species.org giving grid reference, extent of infestation, photograph and date of observation, and the Biological records centre at <http://www.brc.ac.uk/contact.htm>

Further action: Assess the risk of the population you have observed using the risk assessment sheet provided in this pack.

