

## POTAMOGETONACEAE – PONDWEED FAMILY

**Plant:** herbs (mostly aquatic), perennial

**Stem:** present

**Root:** present

**Leaves:** mostly simple, entire, alternate, opposite or whorled; submerged and/or emergent (floating); stipules present or not

**Flowers:** perfect; 4 merous, tepals or not depending on definitions; 4 stamens; ovary superior, mostly 4 carpels

**Fruit:** aggregate, fleshy or not

**Other:** many environments; Monocotyledons Group

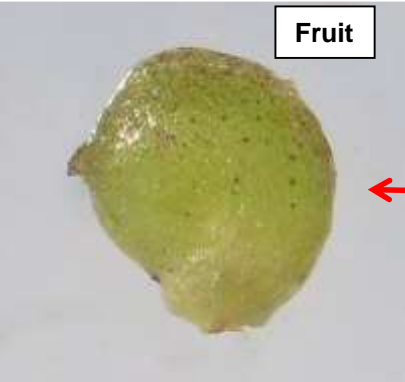
**Genera:** 2 genera; 100+ species worldwide

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*Potamogeton diversifolius* Raf.  
Potamogetonaceae (Pondweed Family)  
Wire Road Conservation Area, Stone County,  
Missouri



Notes: floating leaved pondweed; flowering heads occur both submerged (rounded) and above the surface (up to 50 flowers may be present); submerged leaves linear or thread-like (to 10 cm long, to 1+ mm wide), sharp pointed, sessile; floating leaves elliptical to lanceolate (to 4 cm long, to 2 cm wide), with petiole; common in ponds, sloughs and some slow streams; late spring to fall

[V Max Brown, 2014]

