

Nymphaea alba

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.88**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Hydrophyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **14.7**

Flower

Flowering period: **May-September**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **4.1**

Dispersal mode: **Anthropochory, Hydrochory**

Dispersal distance class: **7**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **native**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Water**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Alkaline**

Nutrient relationship: **Eutrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Non-saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **7.8**

Moisture indicator value: **11.1**

Reaction indicator value: **6.8**

Nutrient indicator value: **5.7**

Salinity indicator value: **0**

Disturbance indicator values

Disturbance frequency: **1.55**

Disturbance frequency (herb layer): **1.57**

Disturbance severity: **0.27**

Disturbance severity (herb layer): **0.27**

Mowing frequency: **0.05**

Grazing pressure: **0.02**

Soil disturbance: **0.03**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [NB \(POT\) Potamogetonetea](#)

EUNIS habitat

Diagnostic species of EUNIS habitats: [P3c Fresh-water large pleustophyte vegetation](#), [P3e Fresh-water nymphaeid vegetation](#)

Constant species of EUNIS habitats: [P3e Fresh-water nymphaeid vegetation](#)

Dominant species of EUNIS habitats: [P3e Fresh-water nymphaeid vegetation](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Aquatic**

Distribution

Continentality amplitude: **5**