

Pistia stratiotes L.

Common Name: Water Lettuce, Shellflower

Family: Araceae

Country of Origin: Pantropical

Habitat: free-floating perennial of quiet ponds

Studies have shown effectiveness for antifungal, hypotensive, bronchodilator, cytotoxic, larvicidal, anthelmintic, antidermatophytic, antioxidant, anti-diabetic, and diuretic activity. Serious pest in the tropics.

