

our listing provides some of the best pond plants and marginals for a well-balanced water garden.

If you have the capacity, then we thoroughly advocate the addition of a pond into your garden design scheme. Whether small or large, a pond or water garden becomes a beneficial feature in terms of plant varieties, sound, texture and visiting wildlife. In fact, even the smallest of ponds or bog gardens will attract a whole host of new life into your back yard, from small native birds, amphibians and colourful insects, to hedgehogs and larger mammals.

Children, of course, will also find ponds of shapes and sizes - and water gardening itself, a hugely rewarding and educational experience, as the pond offers a whole new underwater world for them to explore and understand.

Water gardening is as much about management as it is about picking the right plants and keeping them in check. Whatever its size, a pond must be well balanced to ensure that it thrives and survives. We offer a good variety of marginals and pond plants that will help you to achieve a natural balance in your water garden, and of course we are more than happy to take the time to advise you on all aspects of pond care. It's also worth mentioning that we do not sell UV lights or filtration, quite simply because we do not deem them necessary in a well-balanced pond!

Plants listed in italics are suitable for pond-side planting too!

Please note that not all plants are available all year round - we will only dispatch the plants when it is a good time to plant them! For availability either check our website or ring.

Water Gardening

A Word Of Caution. Our aquatic plants are from the natural open pond in the UK. Even in early April many plants are only just waking up from the Winter. We usually commence dispatching most of our plants in May, June, July, August and September.

Pond Water Volume Calculator

To arrive at the capacity for a rectangular or square pond you multiply the length in feet by the width in feet and the average depth in feet by 6.25. To arrive at the average depth, say your pond is 4 feet deep at one end and 2 feet at the other, for the purpose of the calculation, the average is arrived at by adding the two figures together and dividing by two e.g $2+4=6$, divided by 2=average depth 3. For a round pond, multiply the average depth in feet by the radius squared x 19.5. 1 gallon of water = 4.55 litres.

How Many Fish?

To ensure a well balanced crystal clear pond you should allow as a maximum 1" (2.5cm) of body length of fish (including tail) per square foot of pond surface area. By example, a pond that measures 10ft x 8ft = 80 square feet and therefore would remain in natural balance with up to 80" of fish! Remember, a pond will only remain clear, clean and hygienic if it has a good foundation of aquatic plants (marginal and oxygenating), unless you prefer to resort to an expensive unnatural mechanical and ultra violet filtration system.

Feeding Fish, Yes or No?

A pond well stocked with water plants, ideally one third of the pond area, you should never feed your fish as you have created an 'Eco-system'. The Koi family are the exception to the rule as they are gross feeders, they grow huge and exhaust the natural food chain. Koi are fed with a high protein food, water clarity can be maintained by circulating through a reed or water plant filter bed.

Bulrushes

Reed Mace. Excellent plant for purifying pond water. Grows 5-7 ft tall. More suited to larger ponds. Potted plants.

£5.85 each, 3 or more £4.15 each.

Chameleon Plant. *Rainbow Chameleon Plant.* A beautiful herb that produces

large ivy like leaves with a most pungent scent when squeezed - a vague likeness to tangerine and sandalwood. It spreads by stolons. Bright green leaves become overlaid with creamy-yellow then splashed pinky-red and in Summer shades of crimson red. Potted £3.95 each.

Glyceria maxima var variegata

An attractive aquatic grass. Narrow green leaves are striped silver and white. Grows to approximately 2ft tall.

£3.95 each, 10 or more £3.95.

Herb of Jupiter (rockery plant only)

Sempervivum, House Leek. Great for rockeries in a sunny position.

Pot £4.75 each.

King Cups

True Marsh Marigold that reaches 30" / 80cm tall. A beautiful yellow flower that loves to grow in wet, marshy ground.

Potted £3.95 each.

Marginal Bog Plants

Selection of un-named marginal and bog plants (such as yellow water iris, golden kingcup, water mint, bog bean, glyceria, acorus, typha etc), great for pond side planting to add colour and interest; they also attract more wildlife too.

4 plants £15.80.

Nymphoides

Perennial with a beautiful small, scented yellow flower that loves to grow in shallow water, preferable up to 3 ft / 60 cm deep. Very under-rated. Potted £8.95 each.

Phragmites

Grows in water up to 3 ft / 1 mtr deep. Can be used to cleanse water, thatch a roof or make flour! Reaches 11ft / 3mtrs tall.

Potted £3.95.

Carriage Charges

Our processing and packing charges are calculated on weight, where you are in the country and when you would like your order dispatched.

£1.95 for small seed orders (fits an A5 envelope)

£4.25 for a lightweight small parcels (up to 2kg)

£9.95 for heavier larger parcels courier service, delivered to mainland England on a standard 7-10 delivery. If you are outside this area (including IOW) please ring or visit our website for further details.

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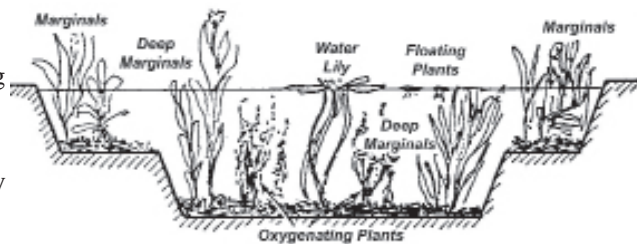
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Water Soldiers

Likes to float in a medium or large pond during the Summer months. Flowers have a delicate white flower, and sinks to the bottom of your pond in Winter. Potted £2.25 each

Yellow Water Iris

Beautiful yellow flowers, plant in or by a pond. Hardy. Will stand up to about 3 feet (90 cm) tall. £3.95 each.

Flowers for Pond Side Planting

Drumstick Primula, Cowslips, Chinese Pagodas
All 5 of one type £7.00

Cardinal Flowers - Queen Victoria or Compliment Mix,
Corkscrew Rush. All 5 of one type £6.00

Hardy Water Lilies For The Garden Pond

These are a most accommodating pond plant and are of especial benefit in providing essential Summer shade to fish, and do help keep the water 'sweet' due to the absorption of toxins and actual water filtration provided by the underside of their leaves in Summer.

Pink Varieties, All at £19.95 each.

Firecrest, beautiful shade, and it is perfumed

MM Wilfron Gonnere, double pink.

Rose Arey, deep pink, star shaped, scented.

Red & Crimson Shades, All at £19.95 each.

Attraction, Prolific crimson red with white veins.

Conqueror, Crimson red, flowers well.

Charles De Meurville, Large burgundy red.

Escarboucle, Fine deep red.

James Brydon - deep red flower with orange stamens, scented.

Red Spider - red spiky flower.

White Varieties, All at £19.95 each.

Alba, Pure white with a 'sunny' gold cup.

Yellow Varieties, All at £19.95 each.

Chromatella, Sulphur yellow. Splotched

chocolate & green foliage.

Sioux, Yellow to copper gold.

Miniature Water Lilies £19.95 each
For water 6"-12" deep or large

aquaria

Aurora - Yellow flower turning coppery orange red as it ages.

Helvola - Lemon yellow with mottled foliage.

Rubra - Pretty shade of deep pinky crimson red.

Algae Inhibiting Packs

Clear murky pond water fast natures way.

An end to the green pea soup syndrome. Green algae disappears without the need for harmful chemicals. This plant collection can absorb all harmful toxins safely, releasing beneficial oxygen and ensuring that your pond becomes crystal clear. The principal plant used for this purpose is *Lagarosiphon major* (also known as *Elgeria crispa*) but we often also include *Coontail* (*Ceratophyllum demersum*) as well as a Water Cress plant. Supplied as a collection of mixed aquatic plants. For ponds up to 250 gallons £21.00.

Heron Protection System

Black angled posts are placed into the pond bank as close to the water's edge as possible and closely following the shape of the pond (maximum distance between posts is 6-8ft). Attach the electric fencing wire to the posts and connect up to the energiser. Once installed the 'fence' is barely visible standing approximately 10" high and so does not detract from the visual appearance of the pond. Any heron (or anything else!) which touches the fence will receive a warning shock which is not harmful but sufficient to 'do the job'; similarly this is not harmful to domestic pets or other wildlife (or humans)! The kit as supplied is suitable for ponds up to approximately 60 feet in perimeter. The kit consists of 10 fence arms and bases, 250 feet of aluminium wire, line tighteners, earth rod and clamp, connection cables, energiser (mains powered), electric fence warning sign, fence tester and (of course) simple diagrammatic instructions. For odd shaped ponds we can offer extra arms to allow you to follow the contour of the pond shape more easily. For larger ponds and lakes we can supply an extender kit consisting of a further 5 arms and an additional 250 feet of aluminium wire. The energiser is suitable for areas up to approximately 1 acre. Mains Powered System £195.00, Extra Arms (5) For Odd Shaped Ponds £37.50, Extender Kit (5 arms + 250 feet of wire) £42.50

Bilo-Technica - An End To Green Water - Naturally

We pioneered this successful formula for ponds. We make no secret of the fact we use barley straw as the essential base material for the bilo however it also has a 'trigger ingredient' to release the algae inhibiting enzyme. Furthermore we also incorporate a pH balancing agent to prevent your pond water becoming too alkaline. Our system really does work and we have testimonials to endorse it. It is self contained in a specially made sealed porous bag, like a small pillow, that is simply placed into the pond. Within 3 to 4 weeks the 'Pea Soup Knitted Fog' effect can just simply disappear! This system lasts 9-12 months or more, just ensure you calculate your water gallonage correctly! *Not suitable for keeping duck ponds clear or swimming pools.* Up to 2000 gals £24.80, 2 packs or more £19.90 per pack. 100 gals-700 gals pack £19.60.

Everlasting Garden Ponds

PVC liners are 0.5mm thick and manufactured by Gordon Lowe Products and has a manufacturers lifetime guarantee (60 years), all liners are sent with easy installation instructions. The most effective and beneficial method of making a pond is to place the liner on a cushion of ordinary builders sand, approximately 2" deep.

The Cottage Garden Pond £79.00

The liner measures 4m x 4m (13ft x 13ft). You can make a pond 7ft x 7ft x 2½ft deep or an informal shape of about 8ft x 9ft x 2½ft at the centre with shelving sides. We provide one water lily, 3 marginal plants and our No1 oxygenating plant pack together.

The Wildlife Pond £62.00

Frogs, Toads, Newts? Create a wildlife pond and as if from nowhere these fascinating creatures can appear! Liner measures about 13ft x 13ft, 10 assorted bog plants (not individually named) innoculated from our own wildlife pond to ensure natural colonisation of microscopic animal life for natures natural food chain. Safe - yes it needn't be deeper than about 12". Fill with ordinary tap water and wait! Watch! See it happen. Examine the water after a couple of weeks under a microscope!

Pond Liner Repair Kit Complete kit £29.95.

This joining kit is suitable to repair most pond liners, including Butyl. The patch is of Gordon Lowe Butyl Liner and measures approximately 30cm x 120cm and comes with 5 meter long cold glue tape, 60mm wide.

Blanket Weed Eliminator (BWE)

Contrary to popular belief Blanket Weed can be very beneficial to pond life and should not be entirely discouraged. Only when it grows so thick as to choke the pond should you need to resort to BWE, used in accordance with our instructions. BWE is compounded from two naturally occurring mineral salts - Magnesium and Copper - and actually provides a tonic for fish and does not harm other pond life. *It is very important to calculate the correct volume of water in your pond* and treat accordingly, a 10% error margin for the volume of water in your pond is critical to failure or success. Within approximately ten days the blanket weed will have disappeared. We accept no liability for the misuse of this product. It is not suitable for either cold or tropical Aquaria. The purpose is for use in cold water ponds or water features only. One pack treats up to 1000 gallons of water. £10.65, 2 packets £19.70, 3 packets or more £9.50 per packet.

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