

Butomus umbellatus

Common name:

Flowering rush

Origin:

East Asia

Key features:

Stems: Can be found along shorelines and into water 9 feet (3 m) deep

Leaves: Long, narrow, sword shaped leaves up to 3 feet (1 m) tall that originate at base. Leaves are fleshy with twisted ends, grass-like, cross section of leaves are triangular

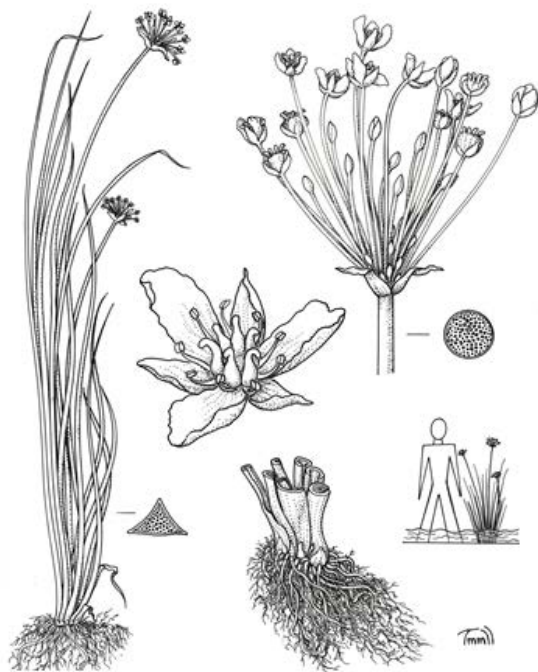
Flowers: Inflorescence contains pink to white flowers 0.8-1.2 inches (2-3 cm) across with 3 petals and 3 sepals on a stalk that can be 3 feet (1 m) tall

Fruits/Seeds: Fruit is a follicle

Reproduction: Seeds and rhizomes

Easily confused species:

Bur-reeds: *Sparganium* spp.



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