

# *Nelumbo lutea*

**Common name:**

American water lotus

**Origin:**

Southeastern United States, Mexico, Honduras, and the West Indies

**Key features:**

Plants are on or above the water

**Stems:** Stiff stalk attaches to the center of the leaf

**Leaves:** Large, bluish-green, circular leaves with no “slit” like water lilies

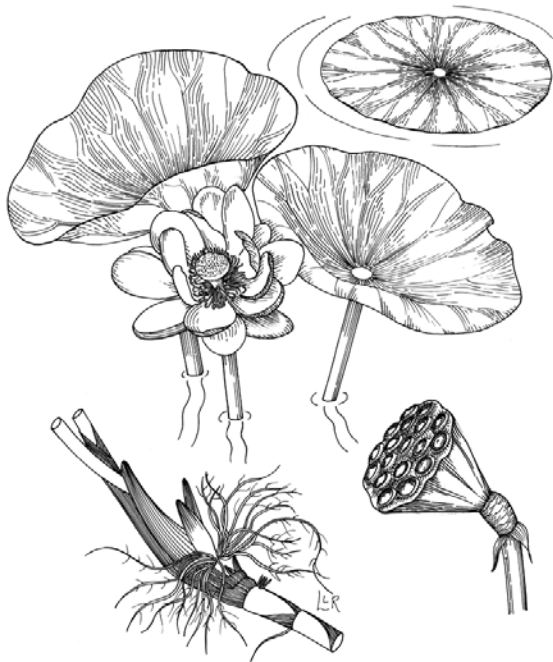
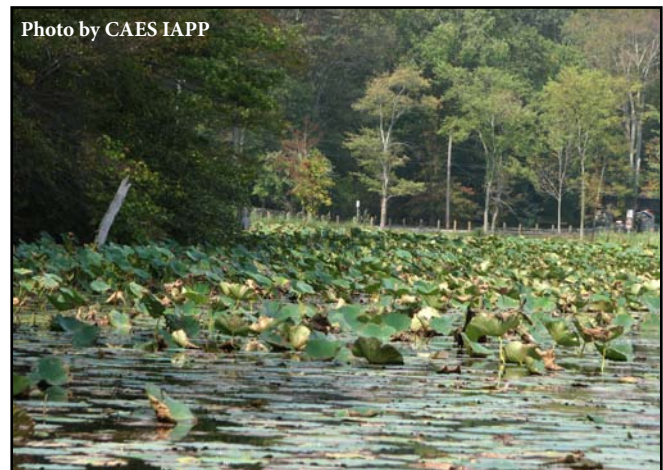
**Flowers:** White to yellowish flowers measure up to 8 inches (20 cm) wide

**Fruits/Seeds:** Seeds are nut-like and contained in a structure that resembles the top of a watering can

**Reproduction:** Seed

**Easily confused species:**

None



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