

Washington Flora Checklist

A checklist of the Vascular Plants of Washington State Hosted by the University of Washington Herbarium

Family: Lythraceae

6 terminal taxa (species, subspecies, and varieties).

The Washington Flora Checklist aims to be a complete list of the native and naturalized vascular plants of Washington State, with current classifications, nomenclature and synonymy.

Taxa included in the checklist:

- Native taxa whether extant, extirpated, or extinct.
- Exotic taxa that are naturalized, escaped from cultivation, or persisting wild.
- Waifs (e.g., ballast plants, escaped crop plants) and other scarcely collected exotics.
- Interspecific hybrids that are frequent or self-maintaining.
- Some unnamed taxa in the process of being described.

Family classifications follow [APG IV](#) for angiosperms, PPG I (J. Syst. Evol. 54:563-603. 2016.) for pteridophytes, and Christenhusz et al. (Phytotaxa 19:55-70. 2011.) for gymnosperms, with a few exceptions. Nomenclature and synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superceded by new information.

Accepted names are indicated with **blue type**, synonyms with **gray type**.

Native species and infraspecies are marked with **bold-face type**.

*Non-native and introduced taxa are preceded by an asterisk.

Please note: This is a working checklist, continuously updated. Use it at your discretion.

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Dicots:

Lythraceae [HC, HC2] Loosestrife Family

Ammannia [HC, HC2]

ammannia, redstem, tooth-cup

**Ammannia coccinea* Rottb. [Draft FNA, HC, HC2]

Pl. Horti Univ. Rar. Progr. (Hafn.), 7. 1773.
valley redstem

Recently (2014) collected in King County at a restoration site where a large population is established.

Ammannia robusta Heer & Regel [HC2, IFBC]

Index Seminum [Zuerich] adn. 1. 1842.
western ammania, grand redstem

Ammannia coccinea Rottb. ssp. *robusta* (Heer & Regel) Koehne

**Lythrum* [HC, HC2]

loosestrife

**Lythrum hyssopifolia* L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 447. 1753.
hyssop loosestrife

**Lythrum portula* (L.) D.A. Webb [HC2, JPM]

Feddes Repertorium 74(1-2): 13. 1967.
spatula-leaf loosestrife

Peplis portula L.

Not in H&C but is common in wetlands.

**Lythrum salicaria* L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 446. 1753.
purple loosestrife, long purples

Rotala [HC, HC2]

rotala, toothcup

Rotala ramosior (L.) Koehne [HC, HC2]

Fl. Bras. 13(2): 194. 1877.
lowland toothcup

Rotala catholica (Cham. & Schltdl.) van Leeuwen

Rotala dentifera (A. Gray) Koehne

Rotala ramosior (L.) Koehne var. *interior* Fernald & Griscom

Rotala ramosior (L.) Koehne var. *typica* Fernald & Griscom