

Greater spearwort

Ranunculus lingua Also known as: **Water buttercup, Tongue-leaved Crowfoot**

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This description is for **Greater spearwort (Ranunculus lingua)**:

If the boggy or wet areas of your garden are putting a dampener on your spirits then get them under control by taking the fight to them with ranunculus lingua or greater spearwort. This beautiful aquatic plant has lance-shaped leaves, branching stems and bright yellow bowl-shaped flowers that will spruce up a bedraggled-looking bog garden or turn a pond that you're not quite sure what to do with into an enticing feature. Greater spearwort is very well suited to loamy, clay or sandy soil that has poor drainage and it can be grown either in wet soil or in water that is either slow-moving or still. This pretty plant tolerates partial shade and full sunlight and will have you forgetting that you ever wallowed in despair over your outdoor wet areas.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
Known dangers? yes	Acidity Acidic Neutral Alkaline	Standard category Aquatic & semiaquatic plants Semiaquatic plants
Dangers: comments The sap of this plant may irritate your skin.	Hardiness zone Z4-9	Grown for Attractive Flowers

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Height [m] 1.5	Heat zone H9-1	Creative category For Beginners Colours Show-offs Pond plants Roses & classics
Spread [m] 2	Winter temperatures [°C] -34 - -1	Garden type Bog garden Pond Wildlife gardens
Dominant flower colour Yellow	Heat days 0 - 150	Gardening expertise beginner
Flower Fragrance No, neutral please	Moisture boggy water feature	Time to reach full size 2 to 5 years
Flowering seasons Early summer	Soil type sandy Clay chalky loams	
Foliage in spring Blue-green	Sun requirements Full sun Partial shade	
Foliage in summer Blue-green	Exposure Exposed Sheltered	
Foliage in Autumn Blue-green		
Propagation methods seed division		
Growth habit Clump-forming		