# WANTED

## Kidney-leaf mud plantain (Heteranthera reniformis).



### Description

Kidney-leaf mud plantain is an annual or perennial plant. It grows 20–50 cm above the mud or water surface. The stems can either grow along the mud, under the water or the whole plant can float. Roots form at nodes along the stems.

Leaves are kidney-shaped bright green, spongy, glossy, and up to 5 cm wide. Leaves are narrow when young, becoming wider as they age, alternate along the stem above the water or float on the surface and usually on a stalk 2-13 cm long.

Sometimes there is a cluster of stalkless leaves at the base of the stem.

Flowers are white, mauve to pale blue with 6 petals, open in the morning and wilt by early afternoon on a spike, 1-9 cm long with 2-10 flowers per spike. Flowers are present in summer and autumn in temperate to subtropical areas.

Fruit are small capsules containing 8-14 seeds. Seeds are winged, 0.5-1.0 mm long and 0.3-0.5 mm wide.

#### Goal

To Eradicate from the Shoalhaven.

#### Whereabouts

Last seen Kangaroo Valley. Found in watercourses.

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