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*Hottonia palustris*

**WATER-VIOLET** is an oxygenating deciduous, aquatic perennial. Native to Asia and Europe (including Britain), it has mossy scented yellow-eyed, pale lilac-mauve flowers.

It is also known as Cat's eyes, Cuckoo-flower, Feather foil, *Fioled y Dŵr* (Welsh), *Vattenblink* (Swedish), *Wasserfeder* (German), Water feather, Water milfoil, Water yarrow, and *Žebratka bahenní* (Czech).

It is protected in Northern Ireland under the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985.

*Palustris* is derived from Latin *palus* (bog, marsh) meaning 'of or from bogs, swamps or marshes'.