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Potamogeton filiformis

[Synonyms : *Potamogeton marinus*, *Potamogeton marinus* f. *alpinus*, *Potamogeton striatus* var. *magellanicus*, *Potamogeton strictus*, *Stuckenia filiformis*]

SLENDER-LEAVED PONDWEED is an aquatic perennial. Native to northern Europe, northern United States, Asia, Egypt and Australia it has long thread-like stems with very narrow submerged leaves, and small green flowers.

It is also known as *Dyfrllys Arfor* (Welsh), *Faden-Laichkraut* (German), Filiform pondweed, Fineleaf pondweed, Flat-stalked pondweed, *Liobhag Chaol* (Scots Gaelic), *Merivita* (Finnish), Threadleaf pondweed, and *Trådnate* (Swedish).

In the United States slender-leaved pondweed is now believed to be extinct in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Filiformis is derived from Latin *filum* (thread) and *-formis* (shape) meaning ‘thread-like’.