

Wise up to Waterweeds

Plants happily contained in an aquarium or garden pond can turn into nasty waterweeds in lakes, rivers or streams. They spread rapidly, suppress other water plants and impact on fish life.

Waterweeds can wreck your weekend.

They choke lakes and rivers, make swimming unpleasant, fishing difficult and boating hazardous.



Don't introduce plants into natural waterways.



Aquatic plants may look good in your aquarium or seem an attractive landscape feature in your pond, but looks can be deceiving and hide the menace beneath.

Act wisely

- Source aquatic plants from reputable garden and aquarium shops.
- Know what you are planting and what effect it will have.
- Compost water plants rather than releasing them into natural waterways.
- Avoid transferring water plants between waterways
- Clean boats, trailers and fishing gear after use and before moving them elsewhere.

We can do without
weeds in water.



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