

# Floating pennywort (*Hydrocotyle ranunculoides*)

#### Synonyms:

- Dail-ceiniog arnofiol (Welsh)
- Hydrocotyle nova zealandiae, H. adoënsis, H. americana, H. batrachoides, H. cymbalarifolia, H. natans, H. nutans, H. ranunculoides f. minima, H. ranunculoides var. genuina, H. ranunculoides var natans

Consignments likely to come from: unknown

Use: may be used as a garden pond plant

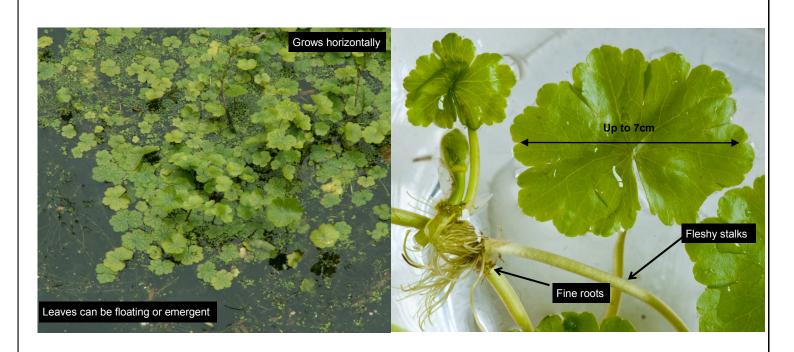
**Identification difficulty:** relatively easy

#### Identification information:

- leaves <u>kidney shaped</u> with <u>crinkled edge</u>, frequently broader than long, up to <u>7cm</u>
- fleshy stalks
- fine roots
- leaves floating or emergent

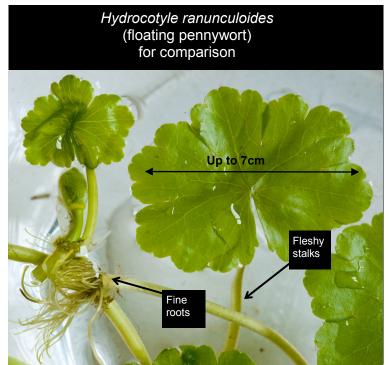


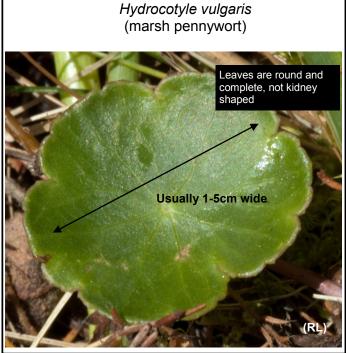
## Key ID Features

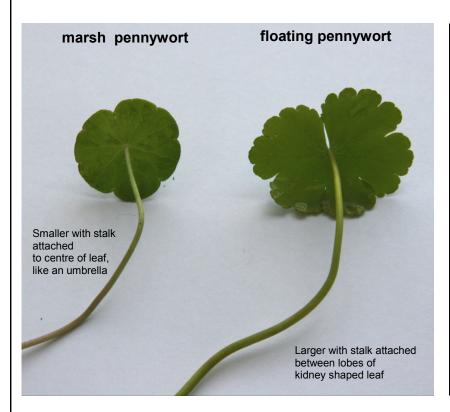


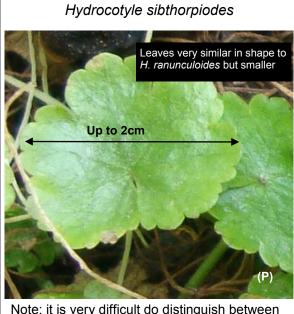
### Similar species

*Hydrocotyle vulgaris* is similar in appearance to the invasive *H. ranunculoides* but can be distinguished by the shape of its leaves. The leaves of *H. sibthorpiodes* are smaller than those of *H. ranunculoides*, but very similar in shape.









Note: it is very difficult do distinguish between this species and *H. ranunculoides*. Seek definitive identification from john.p.martin@naturalengland.org.uk.

Additional online resources to support identification:

Q-bank