

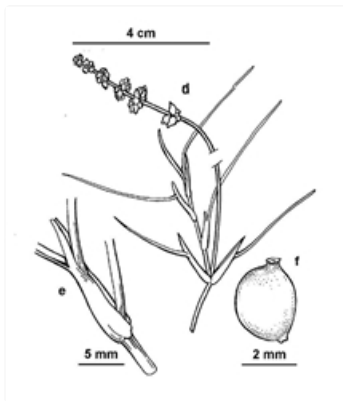
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



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Line drawing (as *Potamogeton pectinatus*). A Barley, National Herbarium of Victoria, ©2021 Royal Botanic Gardens Board. d. flowering branch; e. leaf-sheath; f. seed case

## Common name

Sago Pondweed, Fennel Pondweed

## Family

Potamogetonaceae

## Where found

Aquatic. Mainly Sydney area. Occasionally elsewhere.

## Notes

Submerged **perennial** herb, stems to 3 m long, flattened, **rhizomatous**, flower clusters **emergent**. Leaves **alternating** along the stems, 1.5-17 cm long, 0.25-2 mm wide, **linear**, grass-like, hairless, margins **entire**, tips pointed, the top part of the **stipular sheath** at the base free and extended into a distinct membranous appendage. Flowers small, with 4 '**petals**', in globular clusters of 2-16 flowers arranged along the flowering stems, forming interrupted **spikes**. Flowers and fruits Nov.-May.

Was *Potamogeton pectinatus*.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Stuckenia~pectinata> (accessed 7 February, 2021)

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