

MENYANTHACEAE – BUCKBEAN FAMILY

Plant: Herbs; aquatic and wetlands plants

Stem:

Root: rhizomes

Leaves: alternate, simple or compound; no stipules

Flowers: perfect; 5 parted (lobed) flower (sepals and petals), petals often fringed or hairy; 5 stamens; ovary superior or partially inferior, 2 carpels, 1 style, 2 stigmas

Fruit: capsule or berry

Other:

Genera: 5+ genera

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Menyanthaceae (Buckbean Family)

Waterloo Recreation Area,
Washtenaw County, Michigan

Notes: 5-lobed flower (deeply lobed), white,
with abundant white hairs on the inside of the
petals, flowers in a raceme, usually appearing
as on a scape; leaves with 3 oval leaflets;
bogs or swamps, aquatic to very wet ground plant;
spring to late summer

[V Max Brown, 2009]

