

How do you tell the difference between good milfoil and bad milfoil? Here's how...

Northern Watermilfoil

(*Myriophyllum sibiricum*)

beneficial native offers shade, shelter and foraging opportunities for fish



- Usually 7-10 leaflet pairs per leaf
- Leaflets are widely spaced
- Leaves are rigid around stem when out of water
- Green stem that does not branch near surface

Eurasian Watermilfoil

(*Myriophyllum spicatum*)

harmful invasive forms dense mats near surface that entangle boat propellers and interfere with swimming



- Usually 12-21 leaflet pairs per leaf
- Leaflets are closely spaced
- Leaves collapse around stem when out of water
- Reddish stem that branches near surface