

WANTED



Water Chestnut

Trapa natans

Description: a rooted aquatic annual herb that dies back at the end of each growing season. Feathery submersed leaves can be up to 6" long, and are alternate on the stem forming whorls around the stem. The 3/4-1.5" glossy green floating leaves are triangular with toothed edges. The 1-1.5" wide fruits grow under water and have four very sharp spines

Wanted for: Forming a dense mat that sunlight cannot penetrate decreasing the diversity of submerged plant life. Having a massive die off that promotes the growth of aerobic bacteria that use up dissolved oxygen. This drop in dissolved oxygen harms the benthic invertebrates and fish species in the lake.

10 Most Wanted Invasive Plants in Van Cortlandt Park.

Volunteers wanted to help Friends of Van Cortlandt Park eradicate.

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