As of 2008, these four invasive plants have been documented in one or more Maine lakes.

**Variable Water-milfoil**
*Myriophyllum heterophyllum*

*Invasive*

**Look Alikes:**
- *Utricularia* sp. (Bladderwort) **Native**
- *Ceratophyllum demersum* (Coontail) **Native**
- Other *Myriophyllum* species **Invasive**

**Eurasian Water-milfoil**
*Myriophyllum spicatum*

*Invasive*

**Look Alikes:**
- *Utricularia* sp. (Bladderwort) **Native**
- *Ceratophyllum demersum* (Coontail) **Native**
- Other *Myriophyllum* species **Invasive**

**Curly-leaved Pondweed**
*Potamogeton crispus*

*Invasive*

**Look Alikes:**
- *Potamogeton richardsonii* (Clasping-leaf Pondweed) **Native**
- Other *Potamogeton* species **Native**

**Hydrilla**
*Hydrilla verticillata*

*Invasive*

**Look Alikes:**
- *Egeria densa* (Brazilian Elodea) **Invasive**
- *Elodea canadensis* (American Waterweed) **Native**
Parrot Feather
*Myriophyllum aqaticum*

Look Alikes: *Other members of the Myriophyllum genus*

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Water Chestnut
*Trapa natans*

Look Alikes: *None*

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Yellow Floating Heart
*Nymphoides peltata*

Look Alikes: *Nuphar variegata (Spatterdock) Native
Hydrocharis morsus-ranae (European Frogbit) Invasive
Nuphar microphylla (Yellow Waterlily) Native*

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European Frogbit
*Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*

Look Alikes: *Nymphoides Cordata (Little Floating Heart) Native
Nymphoides peltata (Yellow Floating Heart) Invasive
Nuphar microphylla (Yellow Waterlily) Native*

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**Fanwort**
*Cabomba caroliniana*

*Invasive*

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**Look Alikes:**
- *Bidens beckii* (Water Marigold) Native
- *Ranunculus flabellaris* (Yellow Water Crowfoot) Native
- *Utricularia sp.* (Bladderwort) Native

**European Naiad**
*Najas minor*

*Invasive*

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**Look Alikes:**
- *Najas flexilis* (Slender Naiad) Native
- Other *Najas* species Native

**Brazilian Elodea**
*Egeria densa*

*Invasive*

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**Look Alikes:**
- *Hydrilla verticillata* (Hydrilla) Invasive
- *Elodea canadensis* (American Waterweed) Native

**American Waterweed**
*Elodea canadensis*

*Native*

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American Water Weed
*Elodea canadensis*
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**Water Marigold**  
*Bidens beckii*  
Native

**Yellow Water Crowfoot**  
*Ranunculus flabellaris*  
Native

**Coontail**  
*Ceratophyllum demersum*  
Native

**Common Bladderwort**  
*Utricularia macrorhiza*  
Native

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Nuphar microphylla

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