

Yellow Flag Iris (*Iris pseudacorus*)

Category: Containment

Distribution: Escaped ornamental with wide distribution in Idaho.

Diagnostic Characteristics

- Leaves ribbed, grayish green, sword shaped leaves 3-5' long
- Profuse yellow flowers 3-4" across borne on erect stems to 4'tall
- Seed pods are large, up to 4" long.

Background

- Robust and vigorous iris
- Colonizes into large numbers, forming very dense monotypic stands, outcompeting other plants
- Spreads via its floating seed pods and spreading rhizomes



Similar Plants

- When not in flower, Yellow Flag may be confused with native irises and cattails
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