

Rumex x wirtgenii Beck

(*R. conglomeratus x palustris*)

Native

VC5 Absent; VC6 Lost

A rare hybrid dock found on the edges of ditches and canals, margins of lakes and reservoirs, and in peat cuttings. In Somerset, only known from the Somerset Levels, VC6, where first found by Ian Green in 1994 in a peat cutting at Glastonbury Heath (ST471396), the identification confirmed by John Akeroyd. Ian Green subsequently found this hybrid in a peat cutting at Walton Heath (ST456387) in 1994 and by ponds at Langford Rifle Range (ST423290) in 1996. There have been no subsequent records in Somerset. This hybrid has been recorded at several sites in England: sites in Somerset are the most southwestern.