

5. BUTOMOPSIS Kunth, Enum. Pl. 3: 164. 1841.

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Tenagocharis Hochstetter.

Herbs, annual, of marshes, with milky juice. Leaves petiolate, elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate. Scapes erect; umbels terminal; bracts forming an involucre. Pedicels slender. Sepals persistent, green, margin membranous. Petals white. Stamens usually 8 or 9, free. Carpels 6–9, 1-whorled. Follicles with a short beak. Seeds strongly curved; embryo horseshoe-shaped.

One species: tropical regions of N Africa and Asia, N Australia.

1. *Butomopsis latifolia* (D. Don) Kunth, Enum. Pl. 3: 165. 1841.

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Butomus latifolius D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 22. 1825; *Butomopsis lanceolata* (Roxburgh) Kunth; *Butomus lanceolatus* Roxburgh; *Tenagocharis lanceolata* (Roxburgh) Baillon; *T. latifolia* (D. Don) Buchenau.

Petiole 5–20 cm; leaf blade 5–15 × 1–5 cm, 3–7-veined,

base attenuate, apex acute. Scapes 10–30 cm; umbels 3–15-flowered; bracts ca. 1.3 cm. Pedicels 2–14 cm. Sepals broadly elliptic, ca. 5 × 3 mm, margin membranous, apex rounded or retuse. Petals ca. 6 × 4 mm. Filaments 1.5–3 mm; anthers 1–1.5 mm. Carpels ca. 5.5 mm. Follicles 1–1.2 cm. Seeds brown, ca. 0.5 mm. Fl. and fr. May–Sep.

Marshes, paddy fields. S Yunnan [Bangladesh, India, Indonesia (Java), Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Thailand, Vietnam; N Africa, N Australia].

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