

Flora



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The ditches are flanked by arboreal-bush type vegetation, for the most part consisting of: Black Poplar ([Populus nigra](#) [2]), several species of Willow: White ([Salix alba](#) [3]), Purple ([Salix purpurea](#)) and Salix cinerea ([Salix cinerea](#)) [4], English Oak ([Quercus robur](#) [5]), Smoothleaf Elm ([Ulmus minor](#)), Hedge Maple ([Acer campestre](#)), European Alder ([Alnus glutinosa](#) [6]) and Cornel ([Cornus sanguinea](#)).

The margins of the lakes and canals run almost uninterruptedly with well developed typical marshland plants.

The most typical species are the Marsh Reeds ([Phragmites australis](#) [7]), False Bulrush - or Great Reedmace - ([Typha latifolia](#) [8]), Yellow Flag ([Iris pseudacorus](#) [9]), Branched Bur-Reed ([Sparganium erectum](#) [10]), Common Water-Plantain ([Alisma plantago-aquatica](#)) and sedges ([Carex spp.](#) [11]) and sedges ([Juncus spp.](#) [12]) and other riparian species such as Purple Loosestrife ([Lythrum salicaria](#) [13]) and Marsh Spurge ([Euphorbia palustris](#) [14]).

Various hydrophytes populate the waters: Milfoils ([Myriophyllum](#)), Pondweeds ([Potamogeton](#) [15]), Water crowfoot ([Ranunculus aquatilis](#) [16]), Amphibious Bistort ([Polygonum amphibium](#) [17]) and Common Duckweed ([Lemna minor](#)).

Yorkshire Fog ([Holcus lanatus](#)) dominates the fields, but Ragged Robin ([Lychnis flos-cuculi](#)), Wild Oat ([Avena fatua](#)), Purple Moor-Grass ([Molinia coerulea](#)) and various species of clover ([Trifolium sp.](#)) are all plentiful.

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