

NYMPHAEA

In Greek Mythology, Nymphaea, water lilies are seen as a feminine spirit that inhabits fresh water. Over time, different cultures have formed their own unique beliefs about the Nymphaea species. Egyptians believe they create unity and symbolise the circle of life. In Asia the plant represents universality, in Buddhism enlightenment and in Hinduism they are seen as a symbol of purity. Lilies grow in mud but creates a pure flower without blemishes.

We realised that their freshwater habitats are threatened. Fresh water is becoming more limited year after year, with reserves now standing on about 1%. We need to stand together to become more conscientious on how we use one of our most valuable resources.

The dried and pressed Nymphaea specimens used in our range come from South African research herbariums who conduct research in keeping our natural resources sustainable.

The colours of the preserved Nymphaea specimens changed over the years. As they changed we should change in the way we use water, one of our scarcest resources.