

**Vallisneria nana****No. 056C**

<u>Family</u>	<b>Hydrocharitaceae</b>
<u>Continent</u>	<b>Australia</b>
<u>Region</u>	<b>Australia</b>
<u>Country of origin</u>	
<u>Height</u>	<b>30-80 cm</b>
<u>Width</u>	<b>2-10 cm</b>
<u>Light requirements</u>	<b>low-high</b>
<u>Temperature</u>	<b>20-28 °C</b>
<u>Hardness tolerance</u>	<b>soft-hard</b>
<u>pH tolerance</u>	<b>6-8,5</b>
<u>Growth</u>	<b>medium</b>
<u>Demands</u>	<b>easy</b>

*Vallisneria nana* is a solitary contrast plant with dark green, rosulate, narrow leaves. It is extremely suitable as a mid-ground plant, but can also be used as a background plant in small aquariums. The leaves are much narrower than with other species of *Vallisneria*, nor are they quite as long. In its natural habitat in northern Australia *Vallisneria nana* reaches a height of only 15 cm, but in aquariums it typically grows to 30-50 cm, which no doubt reflects the different light and nutrient conditions. *Vallisneria nana* produces offshoots very readily, so compact vegetation will soon develop in good conditions.