



# *Lythrum salicaria*

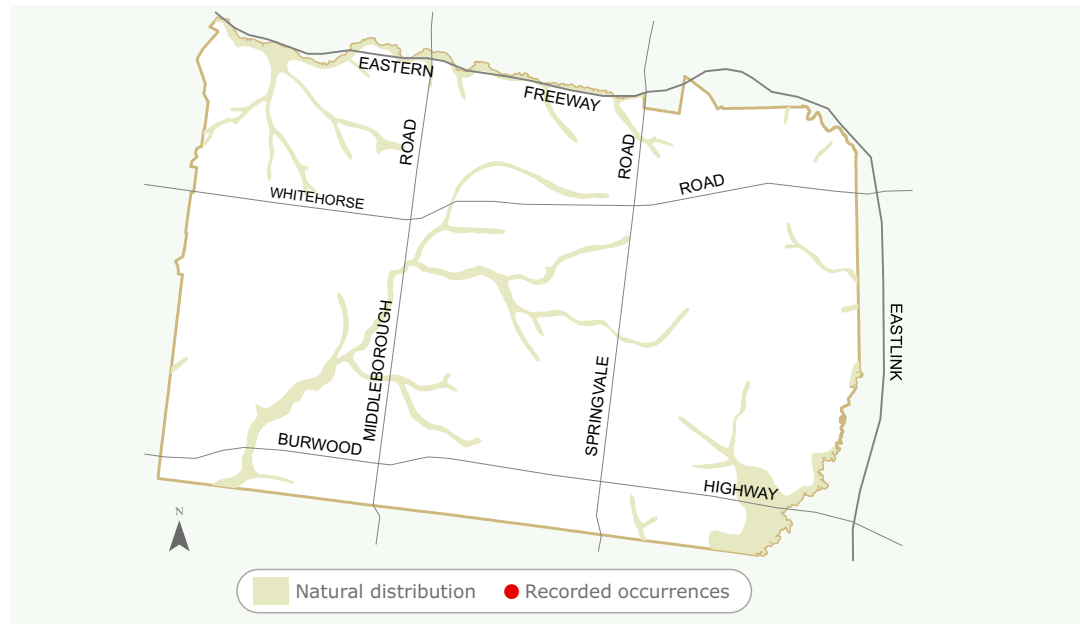
## Purple Loosestrife

<b>Height:</b>	1m - 2m
<b>Width:</b>	1m
<b>Habit:</b>	A slender, erect perennial herb with tuberous roots.
<b>Foliage:</b>	Pairs of oval to lance-shaped leaves to 75mm long, pointed at the tip.
<b>Flowers:</b>	Clusters of tubular, purple to magenta petalled flowers borne in long spikes at the end of stems. Flowers from November to March.
<b>Requirements:</b>	Moist soils or shallow water. Full sun.
<b>Cultivation &amp; uses:</b>	A very showy plant for borders, bog gardens and around water edges such as ponds or pools. Stems should be cut back to roots after flowering. Plant dies back over summer.

### Local Distribution:

Map is indicative to the natural distribution of the species based on the best available knowledge.

The natural occurrence of this species is unknown.



### Images:

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