

Spot Characters (4):

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- The leaf stalk or petiole is attached nearer to the centre of the leaf, rather than at or near the leaf margin



Begonia 'Escargot' , a popular indoor plant, is an example of a plant with peltate leaves. The photo on the right shows the attachment of the leaf stalk to the leaf blade.



Nelumbo nucifera or the Sacred Lotus is another common example of a plant with peltate leaves. The leaf stalk is attached to the center of the large, round leaf.

Examples of plants recorded from Singapore:

Taxon that are recorded from Singapore (Native)	
*Listing is non-exhaustive	
Family	Genus
Araceae	<i>Alocasia</i> (in part), * <i>Colocasia</i> (in part), <i>Homalomena</i> (in part)
Araliaceae	<i>Hydrocotyle</i>
Euphorbiaceae	<i>Macaranga</i> (in part), <i>Mallotus</i> (in part), * <i>Manihot</i>
Hernandiaceae	<i>Hernandia</i> (in part)
Malvaceae	<i>Sterculia</i> (in part)
Menispermaceae	<i>Coscinium</i> , <i>Cyclea</i> , <i>Stephania</i>
Menyanthaceae	<i>Nymphoides</i>
Nymphaeaceae	<i>Barclaya</i>
Piperaceae	<i>Piper</i> (in part)
* <i>Colocasia esculenta</i> and <i>Manihot esculenta</i> are not native to Singapore; the former is an escape from cultivation, and the latter has naturalised.	



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Hydrocotyle sibthorpioides (Lawn Pennywort)



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Hernandia nymphaeifolia

Examples of plants recorded from Singapore:



Macaranga griffithiana



Nymphoides indica



Manihot esculenta (Tapioca) - naturalised



Sterculia foetida

Examples of plants that exist only as cultivated specimens in Singapore:

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Family	Genus
Araceae	¹ <i>Alocasia</i> (in part), ² <i>Colocasia</i> (in part), ³ <i>Homalomena</i> (in part),
Begoniaceae	<i>Begonia</i> (in part)
Caricaceae	<i>Carica</i>
Convolvulaceae	<i>Dichondra</i>
Hamamelidaceae	<i>Maingaya malayana</i> (Juvenile leaves)
Nelumbonaceae	<i>Nelumbo nucifera</i>
Nymphaeaceae	<i>Nymphaea</i> , <i>Victoria amazonica</i>
^{1,3:} Refers to the non-native species of the genus ^{2:} Refers to the non-native species of the genus; <i>Colocasia esculenta</i> exists both as cultivated as well as naturalized specimens	



Alocasia 'Black Velvet'



Colocasia esculenta 'Nancy's Revenge'