



Oblong-leaved sundew

(*Dorsera intermedia*)

Description: A collection of more than 8 spoon shaped red leaves, growing from a central point. The leaf stalks are hairless, but the upward facing spoon head of each leaf is covered in sticky hairs and sweet dew.

Flower: 3-8 white flowers when in bloom between June and August

Size: Up to 150 mm tall

Habitat: Sunny, low nutrient, wet environments, such as bogs and pond margins

Food: Insects



The oblong-leaved sundew is a carnivorous plant, using the hair on the leaves to produce a sugary nectar that attracts insects. Feeding off insects is a good adaptation to living in a difficult low nutrient environment, but this can make sundews vulnerable to nutrient pollution. The seeds are adapted to survive winter flooding and high-water levels after heavy rainfall.

