

Landscape Plants That Are Alien Invasive Species in Virginia

The following list contains alien invasive plants that are grown and/or used in the Horticulture/Nursery industry. Plants that are not grown and distributed through the industry (such as *Alliaria petiolata*, Garlic Mustard) do not appear on this list.

This list was composed from the Mid-Atlantic Exotic Pest Plant Council list of alien invasive plant species. Please see <http://www.invasive.org/maweeds.cfm> for the complete list. A majority of the following plants are reported as invasive in Virginia. The few that are not reported appear on this list because they are reported as invasive in multiple neighboring states (Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and/or Pennsylvania). Please note that cultivars of these plants also can be invasive.

Trees

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| <i>Acer platanoides</i> | Norway Maple |
| <i>Albizia julibrissin</i> | Mimosa |
| <i>Melia azedarach</i> | Chinaberry |
| <i>Morus alba</i> | White Mulberry |
| <i>Phellodendron amurense</i> | Amur Corktree |
| <i>Populus alba</i> | White Poplar |
| <i>Pyrus calleryana</i> | Callery, Ornamental or Bradford Pear |
| <i>Quercus acutissima</i> | Sawtooth Oak |
| <i>Salix alba</i> | White Willow |
| <i>Ulmus pulmia</i> | Siberian Elm |

Shrubs

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| <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | Japanese Barberry |
| <i>Buddleja davidii</i> | Butterfly Bush |
| <i>Cytisus scoparius</i> | Scotch Broom |
| <i>Deutzia scabra</i> | Fuzzy Deutzia |
| <i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i> | Oleaster or Russian Olive |
| <i>Elaeagnus pungens</i> | Thorny Olive |
| <i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i> | Autumn Olive |
| <i>Euonymus alatus</i> | Burning Bush |
| <i>Euonymus europaeus</i> | European Spindletree |
| <i>Hibiscus syriacus</i> | Rose of Sharon |
| <i>Lespedeza bicolor</i> | Shrubby Lespedeza |
| <i>Ligustrum amurense</i> | Amur Privet |
| <i>Ligustrum obtusifolium</i> | Border Privet |
| <i>Ligustrum ovalifolium</i> | California Privet |

Shrubs Cont'd

Ligustrum sinense
Ligustrum vulgare
Lonicera fragrantissima
Lonicera standishii
Lonicera tatarica
Rhodotypos scandens
Rosa wichuraiana
Spiraea japonica
Viburnum dilatatum
Vitex rotundifolia

Chinese Privet
European or Common Privet
Winter Honeysuckle
Standish or Fragrant Honeysuckle
Tatarian Honeysuckle
Jetbead
Memorial Rose
Japanese Spiraea
Linden Viburnum
Beach Vitex

Vines/Groundcovers

Akebia quinata
Ampelopsis brevipedunculata
Clematis terniflora
Or *C. dioscoreifolia*, *C. maximowicziana*, *C. paniculata*
Euonymus fortunei
Hedera helix
Ipomoea purpurea
Lonicera japonica
Lysimachia nummularia
Vinca major
Vinca minor
Wisteria floribunda
Wisteria sinensis

Chocolate Vine or Five-leaf Akebia
Porcelain Berry or Amur Peppervine
Sweet Autumn Virgins Bower
Wintercreeper
English Ivy
Common Morning-glory
Japanese Honeysuckle
Creeping Jenny or Moneywort
Large Periwinkle
Common Periwinkle
Japanese Wisteria
Chinese Wisteria

Perennials

Ajuga reptans
Artemisia vulgaris
Polygonum cuspidatum
or *Fallopia japonica*
Iris pseudacorus
**Lythrum salicaria*
**Lythrum virgatum*
Myriophyllum aquaticum

Carpet Bugle
Mugwort
Knotweed or Fleecflower

Yellowflag Iris
Purple Loosestrife
European Wand Loosestrife
Parrot Feather

Grasses

Arundo donax
Imperata cylindrical
Miscanthus sinensis
Phalaris arundinaceae

Giant Reed
Cogongrass or Japanese Blood Grass
Maiden Grass or Chinese Silvergrass
Ribbon Grass or Reed Canarygrass

Grasses Cont'd

Phragmites australis

Phyllostachys sp.

Common Reed

Bamboo

Annuals/Biennials

Hesperis matronalis

Perilla frutescens

Dame's Rocket

Beefsteak Plant or Perilla Mint

* These plants are state wide noxious weeds in accordance with the Code of Virginia Chapter 8 that states "No person shall move, transport, deliver, ship, or offer for shipment into or within the commonwealth any noxious weed, or part thereof, without first obtaining a permit from the Commissioner."

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