

Maine Natural Areas Program List of Invasive Plants Species of Maine

Section 1. Plant species currently considered invasive in Maine.

Species	Common Name
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	Garlic mustard
<i>Berberis thunbergii</i>	Japanese barberry
<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	Oriental bittersweet
<i>Cynanchum louiseae</i>	Black swallowwort
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	Autumn olive
<i>Fallopia japonica</i>	Japanese knotweed
<i>Frangula alnus</i>	Glossy buckthorn
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	Hydrilla
<i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>	Himalayan balsam
<i>Lonicera morrowii</i>	Morrow's honeysuckle
<i>Lonicera tartarica</i>	Tartarian honeysuckle
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	Purple loosestrife
<i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i>	Variable milfoil
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian milfoil
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common reed
<i>Poa nemoralis</i>	Wood blue grass
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	Curly pondweed
<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	Common buckthorn
<i>Rosa multiflora</i>	Multiflora rose

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Section 2. Plant species potentially or probably invasive in Maine.

Species	Common Name
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Norway maple
<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	Goutweed
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	Tree of heaven
<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	False indigo
<i>Artemisia vulgaris</i>	Common mugwort
<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	Common barberry
<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>	Flowering rush
<i>Callitriche stagnalis</i>	Starwort
<i>Cardamine impatiens</i>	Cuckoo flower
<i>Centaurea maculosa</i>	Spotted knapweed
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Bull thistle
<i>Cynanchum rossicum</i>	Pale swallowwort
<i>Euphorbia cyparissias</i>	Cypress spurge
<i>Euonymus alatus</i>	Winged euonymous
<i>Fallopia sachalinensis</i>	Giant knotweed
<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	Giant hogweed
<i>Hesperis matronalis</i>	Dame's rocket
<i>Humulus japonicus</i>	Japanese hops
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow iris
<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	Privet
<i>Lonicera japonica</i>	Japanese honeysuckle
<i>Lupinus polyphyllus</i>	Western lupine
<i>Nasturtium officinale</i>	Watercress
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	Lesser celandine
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Black locust
<i>Rosa rugosa</i>	Rugosa rose
<i>Thymus pulegioides</i>	Wild thyme
<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	Coltsfoot

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Section 3. Plant species highly likely to be invasive, though they are currently unknown from Maine.

Species	Common Name
<i>Ampelopsis brevipedunculata</i>	Porcelainberry
<i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	Fanwort
<i>Egeria densa</i>	Brazilian waterweed
<i>Fallopia baldschuanica</i>	Chinese bindweed
<i>Glyceria maxima</i>	English water grass
<i>Hydrocharis morsus-ranae</i>	European frog's bit
<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>	Tall pepperwort
<i>Lonicera mackaii</i>	Amur honeysuckle
<i>Lonicera x bella</i>	Bella honeysuckle
<i>Microstegium vimineum</i>	Japanese stilt grass
<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	Parrot feather
<i>Najas minor</i>	Slender-leaved naiad
<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	Yellow floating heart
<i>Paulownia tomentosa</i>	Princess tree
<i>Phellodendron amurense</i>	Amur cork tree
<i>Polygonum perfoliatum</i>	Mile-a-minute vine
<i>Populus alba</i> *	White cottonwood
<i>Pueraria lobata</i>	Kudzu
<i>Rubus phoenicolasias</i>	Wineberry
<i>Trapa natans</i>	Water chestnut

*planted in Maine, but not known to have naturalized