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BLACK BERRIES



(a.k.a. Rubus laciniatus (Evergreen))

(a.k.a. Rubus armeniacus (discolor) (Armenian))

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CRIMES COMMITTED:

- ◆ Costing a bundle for taxpayers to control
- ◆ Choking and the deliberate takeover of native plants
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- ◆ Wreaking havoc and mayhem on unsuspecting ecosystems

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Shrub of the Rose family
- ◆ Robust evergreen perennial growing up to 20 ft tall
- ◆ Large round or oblong toothed leaves in sets of three or five
- ◆ Large, robust, arching stems with large stiff prickles
- ◆ Flowers are white to light pink and produce large juicy blackberries
- ◆ Armenian Blackberries are also known as Himalayan Blackberries

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root and all plant material
- ◆ Plant will resprout unless entire root is removed
- ◆ Remove flowers to prevent seeds from spreading

JOIN THE INVASIVE-WEED PATROL:

- ◆ Notify your neighbors when you spot this weed on their land
- ◆ Remove all weed seeds from clothing, shoes, pets, camping gear, and tires
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**BUTTERFLY
BUSH**
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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Flowers are lilac to purple and form long clusters
- ◆ Very fragrant, attracts butterflies but can not be used as a host plant
- ◆ Displaces native plant species used by breeding butterflies
- ◆ Drooping branches have willow-like narrow grey-green leaves
- ◆ Can grow to 8 ft tall and 6 ft wide

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Remove all plant material including roots
- ◆ Plant will resprout unless entire root is removed
- ◆ Remove budding stalks during the flowering season to stop seeding
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

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**ENGLISH
HOLLY**

(a.k.a. *Ilex aquifolium*)



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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Grows slowly up to 25ft high and 12ft wide
- ◆ Evergreen with green leaves and red berries
- ◆ Spines on the surface of the leaves as well as around the edges
- ◆ Hollies are either male or female, only females have berries
- ◆ Though some are self fertile, most need males for pollination
- ◆ Caution: This plant looks similar to the native Tall Oregongrape (*Berberis aquifolium*)

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull up and dispose of all plant material
- ◆ Plant will resprout unless entire root is removed
- ◆ If all material is not removed, remove berries to discourage seeding

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IVY

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Trailing or climbing evergreen vine
- ◆ Leaves are leathery, dark green, and are a 3-lobed heart shape
- ◆ Flowers are small white umbrella-like clusters blooming in the fall
- ◆ Black berry-like fruit develop in spring
- ◆ Forms dense mats with fine roots growing from the stems

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Remove flowers before seeds are produced
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

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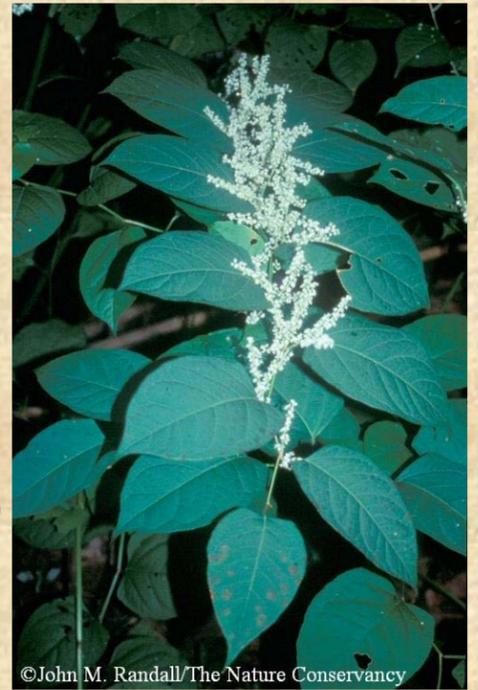
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(a.k.a. *Polygonum Xbohemicum* (Bohemian))

(a.k.a. *P. cuspidatum* (Japanese))

(a.k.a. *P. sachalinense* (Giant))

(a.k.a. *P. polystachyum* (Himalayan))



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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Grows 3 to 16 feet in height
- ◆ Hollow, upright, bamboo like stems
- ◆ Large smooth-edged leaves range from an elongate triangle (Himalayan), oval (Bohemian), a heart shape (Japanese), to a huge elephant ear (Giant)
- ◆ Flowers range from white to green and grow in drooping clusters

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Remove budding stalks during the flowering season to stop seeding
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

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FIELD

MORNING-GLORY/
HEDGE BINDWEED

(a.k.a. *Convolvulus arvensis/sepium*)

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ A trailing or climbing vine that scrambles like ivy
- ◆ Flowers are large and white (Hedge Bindweed) or small and rosy (Field Morning-glory)
- ◆ Blossoms are shaped like trumpets or funnels
- ◆ Leaves alternate and have blades shaped like arrowheads

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Smother plants with black plastic or mulch for several years
- ◆ Allow removed plant material to dry before composting

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BITTERSWEET NIGHTSHADE

(a.k.a. Solanum dulcamara)

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Woody perennial vine growing 6 to 12 feet in height
- ◆ Lower leaves are alternating and oval-shaped
- ◆ Upper leaves are commonly 3 lobed with 2 shorter lateral segments
- ◆ Flowers are purple with yellow centers and grow in clusters
- ◆ Berries are red and are poisonous to humans and animals

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Remove budding stalks during the flowering season to stop seeding
- ◆ Can be mowed repeatedly during each growing season
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

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GREATER PERIWINKLE

(a.k.a. *Vinca major/minor*)

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

Greater Periwinkle (*Vinca major*)

- ◆ Trailing shrub with ascending stems
- ◆ Grows 1 to 3 feet long with dark green leaves
- ◆ Stems have a single five petal violet at the end

Lesser or Common Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*)

- ◆ Low trailing groundcover with dark green leaves
- ◆ Grows 3 to 6 inches tall with thin wiry stems
- ◆ Flowers are a solitary five pedal violet at the end of the stem

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Can be mowed very low repeatedly
- ◆ Allow plant material to dry before composting

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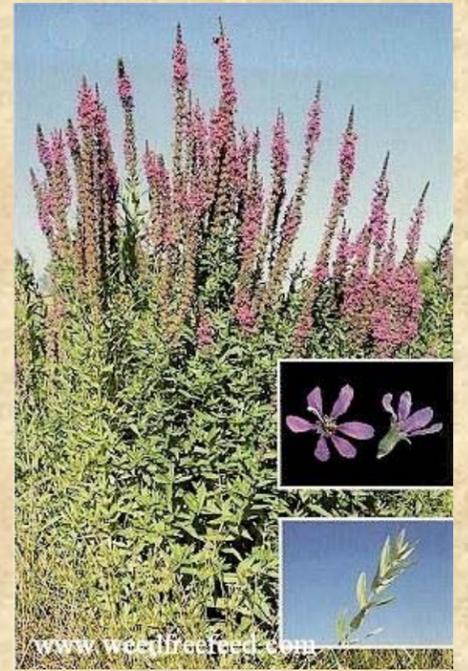
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PURPLE

LOOSESTRIFE

(a.k.a. *Lythrum salicaria*)



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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ Grows 2 ft to 10 ft in height and up to 5 ft wide
- ◆ Stem can be smooth to hairy, four sided and multi-branched
- ◆ Leaves are 4 inches long, lance-shaped, and opposite or whorled
- ◆ Magenta flowers have five to seven petals that look wrinkled and crushed
- ◆ Flowers are less than 1/2-inch long, arranged singly at intervals on the stem
- ◆ Crowned flower spikes appear at the stem tip in mid summer
- ◆ Caution: This plant looks similar to Cusick's checkermallow (*Sidalcea cusickii*); a rare native specie

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ Pull young plants, removing the root, and all plant material
- ◆ Remove budding stalks during the flowering season to stop seeding
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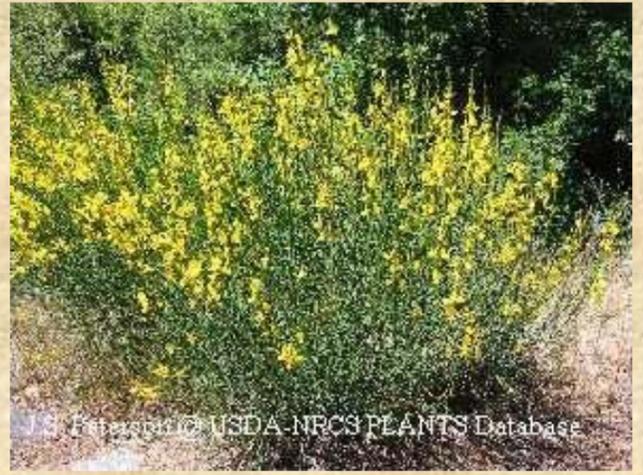


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SCOTCH

BROOM

(a.k.a. *Cytisus scoparius*)



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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES:

- ◆ A perennial shrub of the pea family
- ◆ Grows 3 to 10 feet in height
- ◆ Green branches appear to be leaf-less or have small leaves
- ◆ Flowers are yellow with a brownish black seedpod

CONTROL METHODS:

- ◆ First year plants are easy to pull
- ◆ Dispose of all plant material after pulling
- ◆ Plant will resprout unless entire root is removed
- ◆ Remove flowers to prevent seeds from spreading

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