

# DO YOUR PART. REPLACE INVASIVE PLANTS WITH NATIVES.

Many of the non-native plants commonly used in landscaping are known to escape into the wild, earning them the title of invasive. Invasive plants outcompete native plants, reduce food and habitat for native wildlife, and negatively impact the aesthetics of natural areas. It is estimated that invasive plants cause about \$123 billion in damages and losses to the U.S. economy annually. Below is a list of the most common invasive landscape plants and some native alternatives.

## INVASIVE VINES



**ORIENTAL BITTERSWEET**  
*Celastrus orbiculatus*



**ENGLISH IVY**  
*Hedera helix*



**JAPANESE HONEYSUCKLE**  
*Lonicera japonica*

## NATIVE VINES



**AMERICAN BITTERSWEET**  
*Celastrus scandens*



**VIRGINIA CREEPER**  
*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*



**SCARLET HONEYSUCKLE**  
*Lonicera sempervirens*

## INVASIVE SHRUBS



**FORSYTHIA**  
*Forsythia x intermedia*



**BUTTERFLY BUSH**  
*Buddleja davidii*



**ASIAN BUSH HONEYSUCKLES**  
*Lonicera spp.*



**RED-OOSIER DOGWOOD**  
*Cornus sericea*



**AUTUMN/RUSSIAN OLIVE**  
*Elaeagnus umbellata*



**JAPANESE BARBERRY**  
*Berberis thunbergii*



**COMMON PRIVET**  
*Ligustrum vulgare*



**GLOSSY AND COMMON BUCKTHORN**  
*Frangula alnus*  
*Rhamnus cathartica*



**BURNING BUSH**  
*Euonymous alatus*

## NATIVE SHRUBS



**AMERICAN ARBORVITAE**  
*Thuja occidentalis*



**WINTERBERRY**  
*Ilex verticillata*



**HIGH-BUSH BLUEBERRY**  
*Vaccinium corymbosum*



**SPICEBUSH**  
*Lindera benzoin*



**SUMMERSWEET**  
*Clethra alnifolia*



**GREY DOGWOOD**  
*Cornus racemosa*



**RED CHOKEBERRY**  
*Aronia arbutifolia*

## INVASIVE TREES



TREE OF HEAVEN  
*Ailanthus altissima*



CALLEY PEAR  
*Pyrus calleryana*



EUROPEAN ALDER  
*Alnus glutinosa*



NORWAY MAPLE  
*Acer platanoides*

## NATIVE TREES



STAGHORN SUMAC  
*Rhus typhina*



SERVICEBERRY  
*Amelanchier spp.*



RIVER BIRCH  
*Betula nigra*

## INVASIVE GRASSES AND FORBS



COMMON REED GRASS  
*Phragmites australis*



PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE  
*Lythrum salicaria*



JAPANESE PACHYSANDRA  
*Pachysandra terminalis*



GOUTWEED  
*Aegopodium podagraria*



PERIWINKLE  
*Vinca major*



REED CANARY GRASS  
*Phalaris arundinacea*



MAIDEN GRASS  
*Miscanthus sinensis*

## NATIVE GRASSES AND FORBS



ALLEGHENY PACHYSANDRA  
*Pachysandra procumbens*



PRairie BLAZINGSTAR  
*Liatris spicata*



SWITCHGRASS  
*Panicum virgatum*



FOAMFLOWER  
*Tiarella cordifolia*



INLAND SEA OATS  
*Chasmanthium latifolium*



CARDINAL FLOWER  
*Lobelia cardinalis*



PRairie DROPSEED  
*Sporobolus heterolepis*