

Indiana Invasive Plant List

Created by the Invasive Plant Advisory Committee to the Indiana Invasive Species Council
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List is organized by growth form and common name
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Ranks: H=High, M=Medium, L=Low, C=Caution, FN= Federal Noxious

All species listed are invasive per the Federal Executive Order 13751, Safeguarding the Nation from the Impacts of Invasive Species (definitions are below). Species are ranked based on their invasiveness in Indiana. Species ranked high are either regulated and prohibited from trade or will be evaluated for potential inclusion as a state regulated species in the future. The Invasive Plant Advisory Committee (IPAC) is appointed by the Indiana Invasive Species Council to assess plants and update this official list. Assessments for regulated species are available here: www.indianainvasivespecies.org

Invasive Species: with regard to a particular ecosystem, a non-native organism whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic, or environmental harm, or harm to human, animal
Non-native Species or **Alien Species**: with regard to a particular ecosystem, an organism, including its eggs, seeds, spores, or other biological material capable of propagating that species
Native Species: with respect to a particular ecosystem, a species that, other than as a result of an introduction, historically occurred or currently occurs in that ecosystem.

| Common Name | Latin Name | Growth Form | Indiana Invasive Rank | Current IN Legal Status |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---|
| Aquatic Plants | | | | |
| Anchored water hyacinth | <i>Eichhornia azurea</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Arrowhead | <i>Sagittaria sagittifolia</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Asian marshweed | <i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i> | aquatic | High | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Brazilian elodea | <i>Egeria densa</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Brittle naiad | <i>Najas minor</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Caulerpa | <i>Caulerpa taxifolia</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Chinese waterspinach | <i>Ipomoea aquatica</i> | aquatic | High | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Curly-leaved pondweed | <i>Potamogeton crispus</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Duck lettuce | <i>Ottelia alismoides</i> | aquatic | High | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Eurasian watermilfoil | <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| European frogbit | <i>Hydrocharis morsus-ranae</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Exotic bur-reed | <i>Sparganium erectum</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Flowering rush | <i>Butomus umbellatus</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Giant salvinia | <i>Salvinia auriculata</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Giant salvinia | <i>Salvinia biloba</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Giant salvinia | <i>Salvinia herzogii</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Giant salvinia | <i>Salvinia molesta</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Heartshape | <i>Monochoria vaginalis</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Hydrilla | <i>Hydrilla verticillata</i> | aquatic | High | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Miramar weed | <i>Hygrophilia polysperma</i> | aquatic | High | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Monochoria | <i>Monochoria hastata</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Mosquito fern | <i>Azolla pinnata</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Narrow-leaved cattail | <i>Typha angustifolia</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Oxygen weed | <i>Lagarosiphon major</i> | aquatic | FN | Federal noxious weed, prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Parrotfeather | <i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Purple loosestrife | <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Starry stonewort | <i>Nitellopsis obtusa</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Water chestnut | <i>Trapa natans</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Water soldier | <i>Stratiotes aloides</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Yellow floating hearts | <i>Nymphoides peltata</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Yellow iris | <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> | aquatic | High | Prohibited invasive aquatic plant per 312 IAC 18-2-23 |
| Terrestrial Plants | | | | |
| Grass | | | | |
| Chinese maiden grass | <i>Miscanthus sinensis</i> | grass | High | None |
| Common reed | <i>Phragmites australis</i> | grass | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Giant reed | <i>Arundo donax</i> | grass | Caution | None |
| Giant miscanthus | <i>Miscanthus x gigantea</i> | grass | Caution | None |
| Japanese stiltgrass | <i>Microstegium vimineum</i> | grass | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Johnson grass | <i>Sorghum halepense</i> | grass | High | Noxious weed per IC 15-3-4.6; detrimental plant per IC 15-3-4 and IC 15-3-5 |
| Lyme grass | <i>Leymus arenarius</i> | grass | Caution | None |
| Ravenna grass | <i>Saccharum ravennae</i> | grass | Medium | None |
| Reed canarygrass | <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> | grass | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Small carpgrass | <i>Arthraxon hispidus</i> | grass | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Tall fescue | <i>Schedonorus arundinaceus</i> | grass | Medium | None |
| Herbaceous | | | | |
| Beafsteak plant | <i>Perilla frutescens</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Bohemian knotweed | <i>Reynoutria x Bohemica</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Bouncing bet | <i>Saponaria officinalis</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Bull thistle | <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Canada thistle | <i>Cirsium arvense</i> | Herbaceous | High | Noxious weed per IC 15-3-4.6; detrimental plant per IC 15-3-4 |
| Common teasel | <i>Dipsacus fullonum</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Crown vetch | <i>Coronilla varia</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Cut-leaved teasel | <i>Dipsacus laciniatus</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Dame's rocket | <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Garlic mustard | <i>Alliaria petiolata</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Giant hogweed | <i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | Federal noxious weed |

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| Giant knotweed | <i>Reynoutria sachalinensis</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Goatsrue | <i>Galega officinalis</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | Federal noxious weed |
| Hybrid cattail | <i>Typha x glauca</i> | Herbaceous | Caution | None |
| Japanese chaff flower | <i>Achyranthes japonica</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Japanese hedge parsley | <i>Torilis japonica</i> | Herbaceous | High | None |
| Japanese knotweed | <i>Reynoutria japonica</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Korean lespedeza | <i>Kummerowia stipulacea</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Large-leaved periwinkle | <i>Vinca major</i> | Herbaceous | Caution | None |
| Leafy spurge | <i>Euphorbia esula</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Lesser celandine | <i>Ranunculus ficaria</i> | Herbaceous | High | None |
| Mugwort | <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Musk thistle | <i>Carduus nutans</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Narrowleaf bittercress | <i>Cardamine impatiens</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Pepperweed | <i>Lepidium latifolium</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Periwinkle | <i>Vinca minor</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Poison hemlock | <i>Conium maculatum</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Queen Anne's lace | <i>Daucus carota</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Spiny plumelless thistle | <i>Carduus acanthoides</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Spotted knapweed | <i>Centaurea stoebe</i> | Herbaceous | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Spreading hedge parsley | <i>Torilis arvensis</i> | Herbaceous | High | None |
| St. John's wort | <i>Hypericum perforatum</i> | Herbaceous | Low | None |
| Striate lespedeza | <i>Kummerowia striata</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| White sweet clover | <i>Melilotus alba</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Wild parsnip | <i>Pastinaca sativa</i> | Herbaceous | High | None |
| Yellow sweet clover | <i>Melilotus officinalis</i> | Herbaceous | Medium | None |
| Shrub | | | | |
| Amur honeysuckle | <i>Lonicera maackii</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Amur privet | <i>Ligustrum amurense</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Autumn olive | <i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Bell's honeysuckle | <i>Lonicera x bella</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Bicolor lespedeza | <i>Lepedeza bicolor</i> | shrub | Medium | None |
| Blunt leaved privet | <i>Ligustrum obtusifolium</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Burning bush | <i>Euonymus alatus</i> | shrub | High | None |
| California privet | <i>Ligustrum ovalifolium</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Chinese privet | <i>Ligustrum sinense</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Common barberry | <i>Berberis vulgaris</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Common buckthorn | <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Common privet | <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Glossy buckthorn | <i>Frangula alnus</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Highbush cranberry | <i>Viburnum opulus v. opulus</i> | shrub | High | None |
| Japanese barberry | <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Japanese meadowsweet | <i>Spiraea japonica</i> | shrub | Medium | None |
| Jetbead | <i>Rhodotypos scandens</i> | shrub | Medium | None |
| Morrow's honeysuckle | <i>Lonicera marroii</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Multiflora rose | <i>Rosa multiflora</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited species per IC 14-24-12 and 312 IAC 18-3-13 |
| Russian olive | <i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i> | shrub | Medium | None |
| Sericea lespedeza | <i>Lepedeza cuneata</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Tatarian honeysuckle | <i>Lonicera tatarica</i> | shrub | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Wine raspberry | <i>Rubus phoenicolasius</i> | shrub | Caution | None |
| Tree | | | | |
| Amur cork tree | <i>Phellodendron amurense</i> | tree | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Black alder | <i>Alnus glutinosa</i> | tree | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Callery pear | <i>Pyrus calleryana</i> | tree | High | None |
| Mimosa | <i>Albizia julibrissen</i> | tree | Medium | None |
| Norway maple | <i>Acer platanoides</i> | tree | High | None |
| Princess tree | <i>Paulownia tomentosa</i> | tree | Medium | None |
| Sawtooth oak | <i>Quercus acutissima</i> | tree | Caution | None |
| Siberian elm | <i>Ulmus pumila</i> | tree | Medium | None |
| Tree of heaven | <i>Ailanthus altissima</i> | tree | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| White mulberry | <i>Morus alba</i> | tree | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Vine | | | | |
| Ampelopsis brevipedunculata | <i>porcelain berry</i> | vine | Caution | None |
| Asian bittersweet | <i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Plack swallow-wort | <i>Vincetoxicum nigrum</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Chinese yam | <i>Dioscorea polystachya</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Creeping Charlie | <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> | vine | Medium | None |
| English ivy | <i>Hedera helix</i> | vine | Medium | None |
| Field bindweed | <i>Convolvulus arvensis</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Japanese honeysuckle | <i>Lonicera japonica</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Japanese hops | <i>Humulus japonicus</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Kudzu | <i>Pueraria montana</i> | vine | High | Pest species per 312 IAC 18-3-16 |
| Mile-a-minute vine | <i>Polygonum perfoliatum</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Moneywort | <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> | vine | High | None |
| Pale swallow-wort | <i>Vincetoxicum rossicum</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Sweet autumn clematis | <i>Clematis terniflora</i> | vine | High | None |
| Vetch | <i>Vicia cracca</i> | vine | Medium | None |
| Wintercreeper | <i>Euonymus fortunei</i> | vine | High | Prohibited Invasive Terrestrial Plants [312 IAC 18-3-25] |
| Wisteria | <i>Wisteria sinensis</i> | vine | Medium | None |