

Did you know?

OZARK BORDER EXPANDING INVASIVE PLANTS



Invasive: An aggressive, non-native species whose presence causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm

Expanding: Spreading at a high rate

Missouri's Ozark Border Region is threatened by many invasive plants. Because of their vigorous expansion, the invasive plants pictured below are particularly important to identify and control. Learning how to identify and remove them from your property is the first step in protecting the vitality of Missouri's natural and agricultural lands. For more information on identification and removal, visit the Missouri Invasive Plant Council (MoIP) website.

1. Callery pear
Pyrus calleryana

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2. Invasive privets
Ligustrum spp.

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3. Japanese stiltgrass
Microstegium vimineum

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4. Invasive Bush honeysuckles
Lonicera spp.

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5. Garlic mustard
Alliaria petiolata

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6. Sericea lespedeza
Lespedeza cuneata

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7. Japanese honeysuckle
Lonicera japonica

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8. Autumn olive
Elaeagnus umbellata

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9. Climbing euonymus
Euonymus fortunei

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10. Oriental bittersweet
Celastrus orbiculatus

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11. Japanese knotweed
Fallopia japonica

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12. Teasels
Dipsacus spp.

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13. Japanese hops
Humulus japonicus

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14. Johnson grass
Sorghum halepense

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15. Mimosa or Silk tree
Albizia julibrissin

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- St. Louis
- Columbia
- Jefferson City
- Cape Girardeau

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