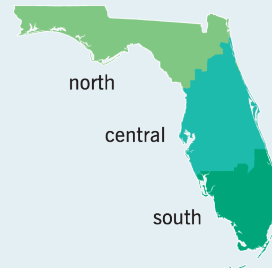


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Abbreviations: Government List (Gov. List): **P** = Prohibited aquatic plant by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; **N** = Noxious weed listed by Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; **U** = Noxious weed listed by U.S. Department of Agriculture. **Regional Distribution (Reg. Dist.):** **N** = north, **C** = central, **S** = south, referring to each species’ current distribution in general regions of Florida (not its potential range in the state). Please refer to the adjacent map.



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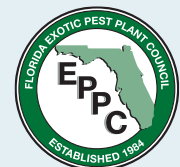
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Purpose of the List:

To focus attention on —

- the adverse effects exotic pest plants have on Florida’s biodiversity and native plant communities,
- the habitat losses in natural areas from exotic pest plant infestations,
- the impacts on endangered species via habitat loss and alteration,
- the need for pest plant management,
- the socio-economic impacts of these plants (e.g., increased wildfires or flooding in certain areas),
- changes in the severity of different pest plant infestations over time,
- providing information to help managers set priorities for research and control programs.



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CATEGORY I

Invasive exotics that are altering native plant communities by displacing native species, changing community structures or ecological functions, or hybridizing with natives. *This definition does not rely on the economic severity or geographic range of the problem, but on the documented ecological damage caused.*

Scientific Name	Common Name	Gov. List	Reg. Dist.
<i>Abrus precatorius</i>	rosary pea	N	C, S
<i>Acacia auriculiformis</i>	earleaf acacia		C, S
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	mimosa, silk tree		N, C
<i>Albizia lebbek</i>	woman’s tongue		C, S
<i>Ardisia crenata</i> (<i>A. crenulata</i> misapplied)	coral ardisia	N	N, C, S
<i>Ardisia elliptica</i> (<i>A. humilis</i> misapplied)	shoebutton ardisia	N	C, S
<i>Asparagus aethiopicus</i> (= <i>A. sprengeri</i> ; <i>A. densiflorus</i> misapplied)	asparagus-fern		N, C, S
<i>Bauhinia variegata</i>	orchid tree		C, S
<i>Bischofia javanica</i>	bishopwood		C, S
<i>Calophyllum antillanum</i> (<i>C. calaba</i> misapplied)	Santa Maria, mast wood, Antilles calophyllum		S
<i>Casuarina equisetifolia</i>	Australian-pine, beach sheoak	P, N	N, C, S
<i>Casuarina glauca</i>	suckering Australian-pine, gray sheoak	P, N	C, S
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	camphor tree		N, C, S
<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>	wild taro		N, C, S
<i>Colubrina asiatica</i>	lather leaf	N	S
<i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides</i>	carrotwood	N	C, S
<i>Deparia petersenii</i>	Japanese false spleenwort		N, C
<i>Dioscorea alata</i>	winged yam	N	N, C, S
<i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i>	air-potato	N	N, C, S
<i>Dolichandra unguis-cati</i> (= <i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i>)	cat’s claw vine		N, C, S
<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	water-hyacinth	P	N, C, S
<i>Eugenia uniflora</i>	Surinam cherry		C, S
<i>Ficus microcarpa</i> (<i>F. nitida</i> and <i>F. retusa</i> var. <i>nitida</i> misapplied) ¹	laurel fig		C, S
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla	P, U	N, C, S
<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i>	green hygro	P, U	N, C, S
<i>Hymenachne amplexicaulis</i>	West Indian marsh grass		N, C, S
<i>Imperata cylindrica</i> (<i>I. brasiliensis</i> misapplied)	cogon grass	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i>	water-spinach	P, U	C
<i>Jasminum dichotomum</i>	Gold Coast jasmine		C, S
<i>Jasminum fluminense</i>	Brazilian jasmine		C, S
<i>Lantana camara</i> (= <i>L. strigocamara</i>)	lantana, shrub verbena		N, C, S
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	glossy privet		N, C
<i>Ligustrum sinense</i>	Chinese privet, hedge privet	N ³	N, C, S
<i>Lonicera japonica</i>	Japanese honeysuckle		N, C, S
<i>Ludwigia hexapetala</i>	Uruguay waterprimrose		N, C
<i>Ludwigia peruviana</i>	Peruvian primrosewillow		N, C, S
<i>Lumnitzera racemosa</i>	kripa; white-flowered mangrove; black mangrove		S
<i>Luziola subintegra</i>	Tropical American water grass		S
<i>Lygodium japonicum</i>	Japanese climbing fern	N	N, C, S
<i>Lygodium microphyllum</i>	Old World climbing fern	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i> (see <i>Dolichandra unguis-cati</i>)			

^[1] Does not include Ficus microcarpa subsp. fuyuiensis, which is sold as “Green Island Ficus”

^[2] Many names are applied to this species in Florida because of a complicated taxonomic and nomenclatural history. Plants cultivated in Florida, all representing the same invasive species, have in the past been referred to as Ruellia brittoniana, R. tweediana, R. caerulea, and R. simplex.

^[3] Chinese privet is a FLDACS Noxious Weed except for the cultivar ‘Variegatum’

^[*] Added to the FLEPPC List of Invasive Plant Species in 2015

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<i>Manilkara zapota</i>	sapodilla		S
<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>	melaleuca, paper bark	P, N, U	C, S
<i>Melinis repens</i> (= <i>Rhynchelytrum repens</i>)	Natal grass		N, C, S
<i>Mimosa pigra</i>	catclaw mimosa	P, N, U	C, S
<i>Nandina domestica</i>	nandina, heavenly bamboo		N, C
<i>Nephrolepis brownii</i> (= <i>N. multiflora</i>)	Asian sword fern		C, S
<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	sword fern		N, C, S
<i>Neyraudia reynaudiana</i>	Burma reed, cane grass	N	S
<i>Nymphoides cristata</i>	crested floating heart	N	C, S
<i>Paederia cruddasiana</i>	sewer vine, onion vine	N	S
<i>Paederia foetida</i>	skunk vine	N	N, C, S
<i>Panicum repens</i>	torpedo grass		N, C, S
<i>Pennisetum purpureum</i>	Napier grass, elephant grass		N, C, S
<i>Phymatosorus scolopendria</i>	serpent fern, wart fern		S
<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>	water-lettuce	P	N, C, S
<i>Psidium cattleianum</i> (= <i>P. littorale</i>)	strawberry guava		C, S
<i>Psidium guajava</i>	guava		C, S
<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i> (= <i>P. lobata</i>)	kudzu	N	N, C, S
<i>Rhodomyrtus tomentosa</i>	downy rose-myrtle	N	C, S
<i>Rhynchelytrum repens</i> (see <i>Melinis repens</i>)			
<i>Ruellia simplex</i> ²	Mexican-petunia		N, C, S
<i>Salvinia minima</i>	water spangles		N, C, S
<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (= <i>Triadica sebifera</i>)	popcorn tree, Chinese tallow tree	N	N, C, S
<i>Scaevola taccada</i> (= <i>Scaevola sericea</i> , <i>S. frutescens</i>)	scaevola, half-flower, beach naupaka	N	C, S
<i>Schefflera actinophylla</i> (= <i>Brassaia actinophylla</i>)	schefflera, Queensland umbrella tree		C, S
<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	Brazilian-pepper	P, N	N, C, S
<i>Scleria lacustris</i>	Wright’s nutrush		C, S
<i>Senna pendula</i> var. <i>glabrata</i> (= <i>Cassia coluteoides</i>)	climbing cassia, Christmas cassia, Christmas senna		C, S
<i>Solanum tampicense</i> (= <i>S. houstonii</i>)	wetland nightshade, aquatic soda apple	N, U	C, S
<i>Solanum viarum</i>	tropical soda apple	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Syngonium podophyllum</i>	arrowhead vine		N, C, S
<i>Sporobolus jacquemontii</i> (= <i>S. indicus</i> var. <i>pyramidalis</i>)*	West Indian dropseed		C, S
<i>Syzygium cumini</i>	jambolan-plum, Java-plum		C, S
<i>Tectaria incisa</i>	incised halberd fern		S
<i>Thespesia populnea</i>	seaside mahoe		C, S
<i>Tradescantia fluminensis</i>	small-leaf spiderwort		N, C
<i>Urena lobata</i>	Caesar’s weed		N, C, S
<i>Urochloa mutica</i> (= <i>Brachiaria mutica</i>)	Para grass		N, C, S
<i>Vitex rotundifolia</i> [*]	beach vitex		N

CATEGORY II

Invasive exotics that have increased in abundance or frequency but have not yet altered Florida plant communities to the extent shown by Category I species.

These species may become ranked Category I if ecological damage is demonstrated.

Scientific Name	Common Name	Gov. List	Reg. Dist.
<i>Adenanthera pavonina</i>	red sandalwood		S
<i>Agave sisalana</i>	sisal hemp		C, S
<i>Aleurites fordii</i> (= <i>Vernicia fordii</i>)	tung oil tree		N, C
<i>Alstonia macrophylla</i>	devil tree		S
<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>	alligator weed	P	N, C, S
<i>Antigonon leptopus</i>	coral vine		N, C, S
<i>Ardisia japonica</i>	Japanese ardisia		N
<i>Aristolochia littoralis</i>	calico flower		N, C, S
<i>Asystasia gangetica</i>	Ganges primrose		C, S
<i>Begonia cucullata</i>	wax begonia		N, C, S
<i>Blechum pyramidatum</i> (see <i>Ruellia blechum</i>)			
<i>Broussonetia papyrifera</i>	paper mulberry		N, C, S
<i>Bruguiera gymnorhiza</i>	large-leaved mangrove		S
<i>Callisia fragrans</i>	inch plant, spironema		C, S
<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>	river sheoak, Australian-pine	P	C, S
<i>Cecropia palmata</i>	trumpet tree		S
<i>Cestrum diurnum</i>	day jessamine		C, S
<i>Chamaedorea seifrizii</i>	bamboo palm		S
<i>Clematis terniflora</i>	Japanese clematis		N, C
<i>Cocos nucifera</i>	coconut palm		S
<i>Crassocephalum crepidioides</i> [*]	redflower ragleaf, Okinawa spinach		C, S
<i>Cryptostegia madagascariensis</i>	rubber vine		C, S
<i>Cyperus involucratus</i> (<i>C. alternifolius</i> misapplied)	umbrella plant		C, S
<i>Cyperus prolifer</i>	dwarf papyrus		C, S
<i>Dactyloctenium aegyptium</i>	Durban crowfoot grass		N, C, S
<i>Dalbergia sissoo</i>	Indian rosewood, sissoo		C, S
<i>Elaeagnus pungens</i>	silverthorn, thorny olive		N, C
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	silverberry, autumn olive		N
<i>Epipremnum pinnatum</i> cv. Aureum	pothos		C, S
<i>Eulophia graminea</i>	Chinese crown orchid		C, S
<i>Ficus altissima</i>	false banyan, council tree		S
<i>Flacourtia indica</i>	governor’s plum		S
<i>Hemarthria altissima</i>	limpo grass		C, S
<i>Heteropterys brachiata</i> [*]	red wing		S
<i>Hibiscus tiliaceus</i> (see <i>Talipariti tiliaceum</i>)			
<i>Hyparrhenia rufa</i>	jaragua		N, C, S
<i>Ipomoea carnea</i> ssp. <i>fistulosa</i> (= <i>I. fistulosa</i>)	shrub morning-glory	P	C, S
<i>Kalanchoe pinnata</i> (= <i>Bryophyllum pinnatum</i>)	life plant		C, S
<i>Koelreuteria elegans</i> ssp. <i>formosana</i> (= <i>K. formosana</i> ; <i>K. paniculata</i> misapplied)	flamegold tree		C, S
<i>Landoltia punctata</i> (= <i>Spirodela punctata</i>)	spotted duckweed		N, C, S
<i>Leucaena leucocephala</i>	lead tree	N	N, C, S
<i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i>	Asian marshweed	P, U	N, C, S
<i>Livistona chinensis</i>	Chinese fan palm		C, S
<i>Macroptilium lathyroides</i>	phasey bean		N, C, S

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<i>Melaleuca viminalis</i> (= <i>Callistemon viminalis</i>)	bottlebrush, weeping bottlebrush		C, S
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Chinaberry		N, C, S
<i>Melinis minutiflora</i>	molasses grass		C,S
<i>Merremia tuberosa</i>	wood-rose		C, S
<i>Mikania micrantha</i>	mile-a-minute vine	N, U	S
<i>Momordica charantia</i>	balsam apple, balsam pear		N, C, S
<i>Murraya paniculata</i>	orange-jessamine		S
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian water-milfoil	P	N, C, S
<i>Panicum maximum</i> (= <i>Urochloa maxima</i> , <i>Megathyrus maximus</i>)	Guinea grass		N, C, S
<i>Passiflora biflora</i>	two-flowered passion vine		S
<i>Pennisetum setaceum</i>	green fountain grass		S
<i>Phoenix reclinata</i>	Senegal date palm		C, S
<i>Phyllostachys aurea</i>	golden bamboo		N, C
<i>Pittosporum pentandrum</i>	Philippine pittosporum, Taiwanese cheesewood		S
<i>Praxelis clematidea</i> [*]	praxelis		C
<i>Pteris vittata</i>	Chinese brake fern		N, C, S
<i>Ptychosperma elegans</i>	solitaire palm		S
<i>Rhoeo spathacea</i> (see <i>Tradescantia spathacea</i>)			
<i>Richardia grandiflora</i>	large flower Mexican clover		N, C, S
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	castor bean		N, C, S
<i>Rotala rotundifolia</i>	roundleaf toothcup, dwarf Rotala, redweed		S
<i>Ruellia blechum</i> (= <i>Blechum brownei</i>)	green shrimp plant, Browne’s blechum		N, C, S
<i>Sansevieria hyacinthoides</i>	bowstring hemp		C, S
<i>Sesbania punicea</i>	purple sesban, rattlebox		N, C, S
<i>Solanum diphyllum</i>	two-leaf nightshade		N, C, S
<i>Solanum torvum</i>	susumber, turkey berry	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Spermacoce verticillata</i> [*]	shrubby false buttonweed		C, S
<i>Sphagneticola trilobata</i> (= <i>Wedelia trilobata</i>)	wedelia		N, C, S
<i>Stachytarpheta cayennensis</i> (= <i>S. urticifolia</i>)	nettle-leaf porterweed		S
<i>Syagrus romanzoffiana</i> (= <i>Arecastrum romanzoffianum</i>)	queen palm		C, S
<i>Syzygium jambos</i>	Malabar plum, rose-apple		N, C, S
<i>Talipariti tiliaceum</i> (= <i>Hibiscus tiliaceus</i>)	mahoe, sea hibiscus		C, S
<i>Terminalia catappa</i>	tropical-almond		C, S
<i>Terminalia muelleri</i>	Australian-almond		C, S
<i>Tradescantia spathacea</i> (= <i>Rhoeo spathacea</i> , <i>Rhoeo discolor</i>)	oyster plant		C, S
<i>Tribulus cistoides</i>	puncture vine, burr-nut		N, C, S
<i>Vitex trifolia</i>	simple-leaf chaste tree		C, S
<i>Washingtonia robusta</i>	Washington fan palm		C, S
<i>Wedelia</i> (see <i>Sphagneticola</i> above)			
<i>Wisteria sinensis</i>	Chinese wisteria		N, C
<i>Xanthosoma sagittifolium</i>	malanga, elephant ear		N, C, S