

# Invasive Plants

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# Invasive Plants

- Produce large numbers of new plants each season
- Tolerates many soil types and weather
- Spread easily and efficiently, usually by wind, water, or animals.
- Grow rapidly, allowing them to displace slower growing plants.

# Not all Landscape Plants are invasive

- Invasive plants are not all equally invasive.
- An invasive plant has the ability to thrive and spread aggressively outside its natural range.

# Invasive Plants are Regional

- Plants that are invasive here, may not be elsewhere and vice versa



# Top 10 Arkansas Landscape Invasives

Alphabetically



# 1. Bamboo

*Phyllostachys species*



## 2. Bradford Pears

*Pyrus calleryana* 'Bradford'





They are coming up everywhere!





# 3. English Ivy

*Hedera helix*







# 4. Japanese Honeysuckle

*Lonicera japonica*





# 5. Kudzu

*Pueraria montana*



# 6. Mimosa

*Albizia julibrissin*







# 7. Privet

*Ligustrum sinense*



Privet is the most  
invasive plant in  
Arkansas!





# 8. Running Monkey Grass

*Liriope spicata*



# 9. Large leaf vinca

*Vinca major*





# 10. Wisteria

*Wisteria floribunda*



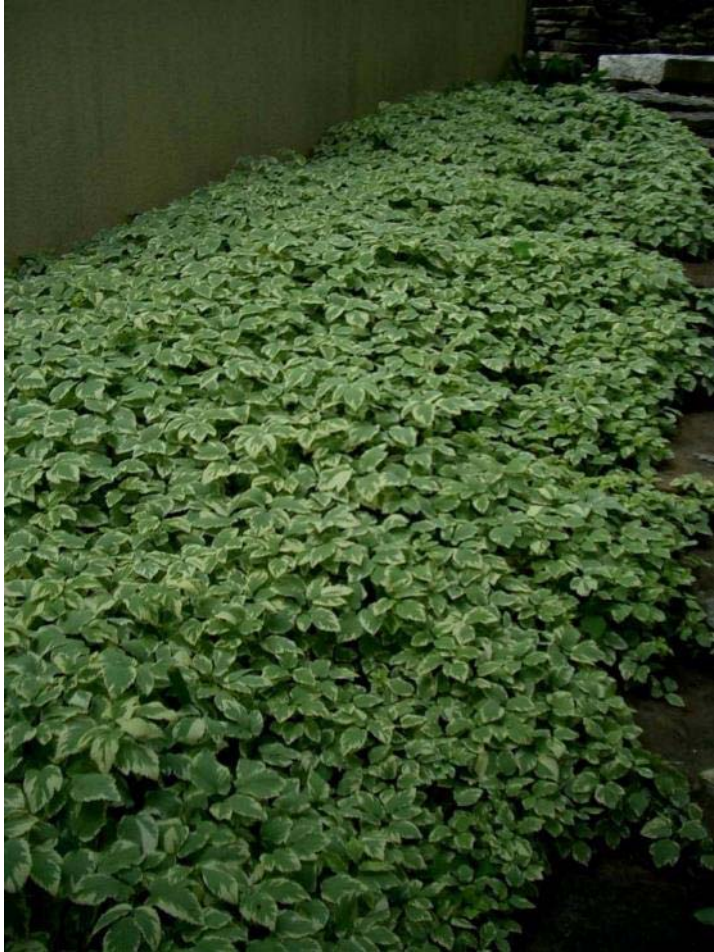


# Other Invasive Landscape Plants

- The following plants have been invasive in some landscape situations, and should be used with caution.
- They are more invasive under certain soil and weather conditions.

# Bishop's Weed

*Aegopodium podagraria*





# Ajuga

*Ajuga reptans*





# Garlic Chives

*Allium tuberosum*



# Devil's Walking Stick

## *Aralia spinosa*





# Ardisia

*Ardisia japonica*



# Artemesia

*Artemisia absinthium*



*Artemisia vulgaris* 'Oriental  
Limelight'





# Trumpet Creeper

*Campsis radicans*



# Sweet Autumn Clematis

## *Clematis terniflora*





# Mexican Hydrangea

## *Clereodendron bungei*



# Wild Ageratum

*Conoclinium coelestinum*





# Queen Ann's Lace

*Daucus carota*



# Russian Olive

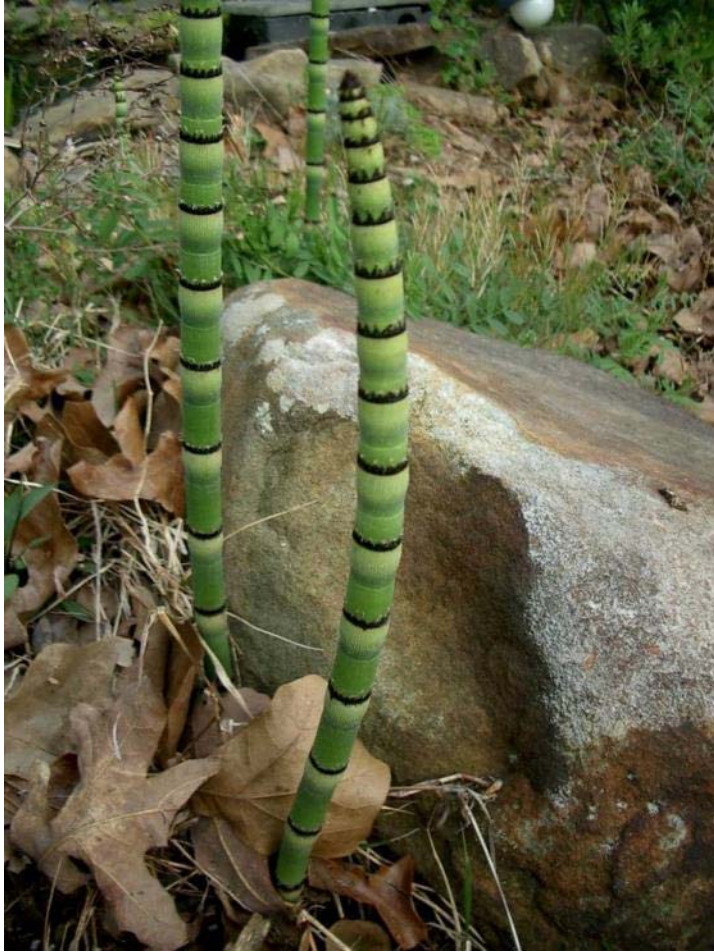
*Elaeagnus angustifolia*





# Horsetail - Scouring Rush

*Equisetum hyemale*





# Wintercreeper Euonymus

*Euonymus fortunei*





# Carolina Jessamine

*Gelsemium sempervirens*



# Ground Ivy

*Glechoma hederacea*





# Chameleon Plant

*Houttuynia cordata*



# Morning Glory

## *Ipomoea violacea*





# Cypress Vine

*Ipomoea quamoclit*





# Creeping Jenny

*Lysimachia nummularia*





# Yellow Rose of Texas

*Kerria japonica*



# Deadnettle

*Lamium species*





# Purple Loosestrife

*Lythrum salicaria*



# Nandina

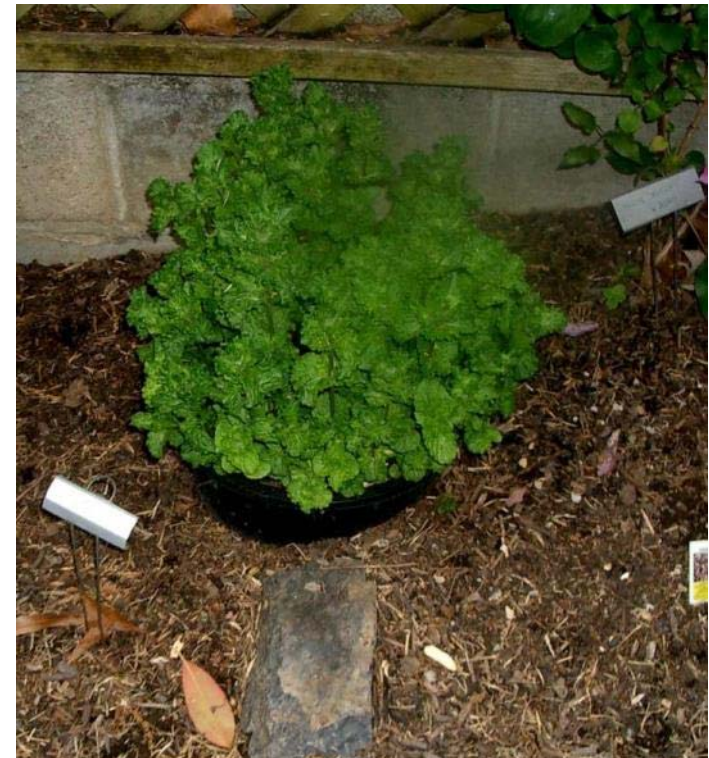
*Nandina domestica*





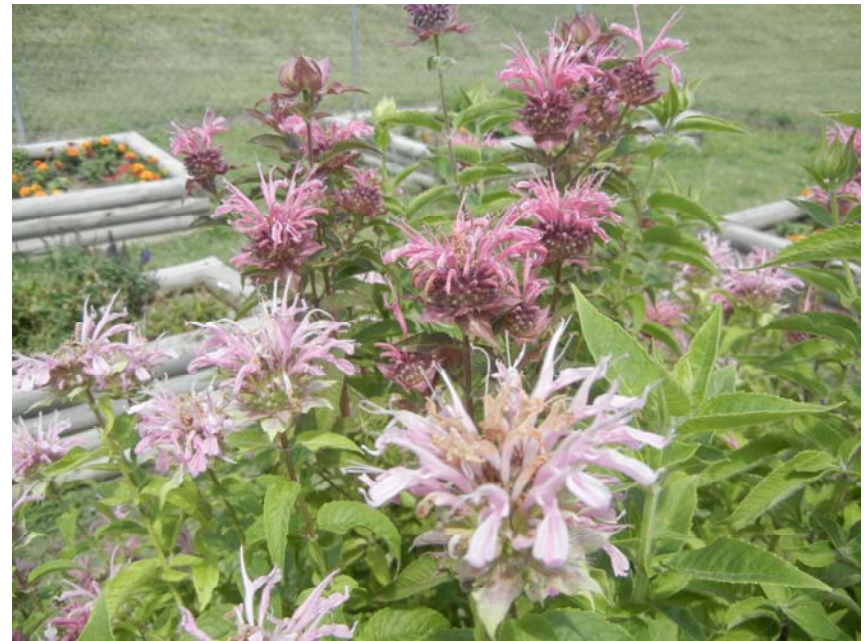
# Mint

*Mentha species*



# Bee Balm

*Monarda didyma*





# Showy Evening Primrose

*Oenothera speciosa*



# Prickly Pear Cactus

## *Opuntia sp.*





# Star of Bethlehem

*Ornithogalum umbellatum*



# Woodsorrel

*Oxalis species*





# Passionflower

*Passiflora incarnata*



# Obedient Plant

*Physostegia virginiana*





# Cherry Laurel

*Prunus caroliniana*



# Pickereel Weed

*Pontederia cordata*





# Mexican Petunia

*Ruellia brittoniana*



# Sumac

*Rhus glabra*





# Bouncing Bet

*Saponaria officinalis*



# Some varieties are worse than others

**Dwarf goldenrod**



**common**





# Spiderwort

*Tradescantia virginiana*





Each year the spread will be  
greater





# Contain problem plants





# Or prune





# Weeds can also be invasive



# Choose plants wisely!

- With new plants appearing yearly on the market, there has not been ample research on level of invasiveness.
- Monitor your plants growth and contain if needed.