

# ARE INVASIVE PLANTS FINDING THEIR WAY INTO YOUR ROCKVILLE YARD?

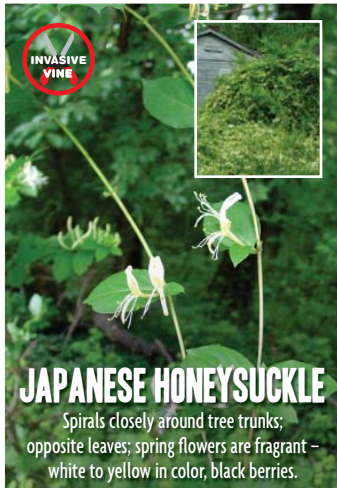


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KNOW YOUR PLANTS

GREENING ROCKVILLE

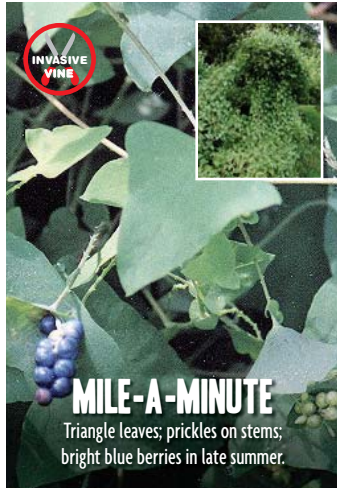
NON-NATIVE INVASIVES CROWD OUT NATIVE PLANTS AND COULD BE SPREADING FROM YOUR YARD.



## JAPANESE HONEYSUCKLE

Spirals closely around tree trunks; opposite leaves; spring flowers are fragrant – white to yellow in color, black berries.

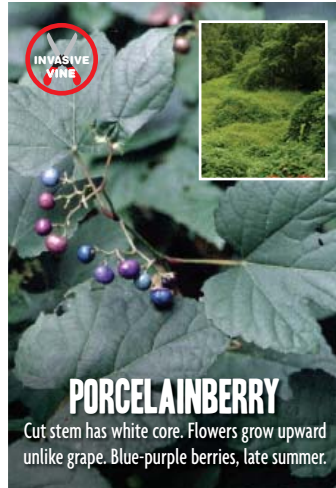
CHUCK BARCELO



## MILE-A-MINUTE

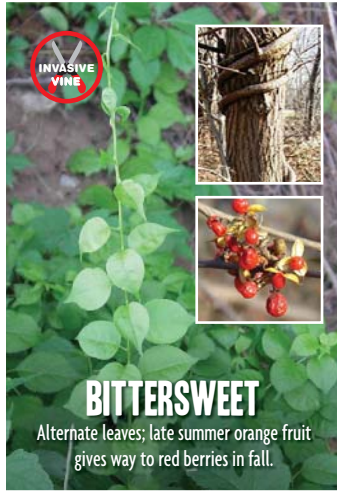
Triangle leaves; prickles on stems; bright blue berries in late summer.

LESLIE MERRHOF



## PORCELAINBERRY

Cut stem has white core. Flowers grow upward unlike grape. Blue-purple berries, late summer.



## BITTERSWEET

Alternate leaves; late summer orange fruit gives way to red berries in fall.



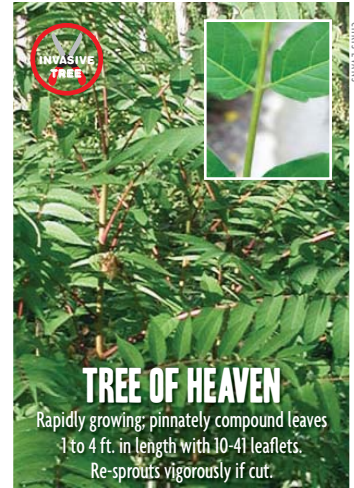
## WINTERCREEPER

Evergreen, oval opposite leaves; whitish veins; green stems.



## ENGLISH IVY

Three- to five-lobed pointed dark green leaves are arranged alternately; black fruit on mature climbing specimens.



## TREE OF HEAVEN

Rapidly growing; pinnately compound leaves 1 to 4 ft. in length with 10-41 leaflets. Re-sprouts vigorously if cut.

CHRIS EVANS



# RESEARCH. REMOVE. REJOICE.

Removing invasive plants from your yard and the City's parkland is a great way to help the City of Rockville and its surrounding environment. The City's Environmental Management Division can help with plant identification, removal techniques and ideas for native replacements. For more information visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/environment/stewardship/invasives.html](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/environment/stewardship/invasives.html) or call 240-314-8870.



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**JAPANESE KNOTWEED**  
Zig-zag stems; leaves broadly oval and pointed at the tip; flowers occur in branched sprays in summer.

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**MULTIFLORA ROSE**  
Thorns point downward; thicker at base. Red berries in fall-winter. Leaf is feathery at base.

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**BUSH HONEYSUCKLE**  
Cut twig has hollow core. Leaves opposite, lack teeth. Older trunks have linear ridges.

**WINEBERRY**  
Fuzz and thorns cover stems completely. Raspberry-like berries in mid-summer.

**GARLIC MUSTARD**  
If rubbed, smells garlicky. Toothed, heart-shaped leaf. First-year plants are rosettes of green leaves close to the ground. Flowering plants reach 2 to 3 1/2 feet and produce clusters of white flowers.

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**LESSER CELANDINE**  
Flat mats of green, March to May; root tubers hard to pull. Damp areas.

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