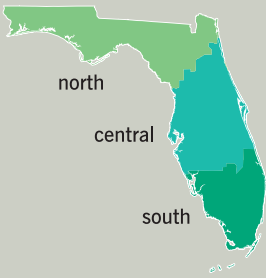


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Abbreviations: Government List (Gov. List): P = Prohibited aquatic plant by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; N = Noxious weed listed by Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services; U = Noxious weed listed by U.S. 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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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. Dis.	Scientific Name	Common Name	Gov. List	Reg. Dis.
<i>Abrus precatorius</i>	rosary pea	N	C, S	<i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i>	cat's claw vine	N, C, S	
<i>Acacia auriculiformis</i>	earleaf acacia		C, S	<i>Manilkara zapota</i>	sapodilla		S
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	mimosa, silk tree		N, C	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>	melaleuca, paper bark	P, N, U	C, S
<i>Albizia lebbbeck</i>	woman's tongue		C, S	<i>Melinis repens</i>	Natal grass		N, C, S
<i>Ardisia crenata</i>	coral ardisia		N, C, S	(= <i>Rhynchelytrum repens</i>)			
(<i>A. crenulata</i> misapplied)				<i>Mimosa pigra</i>	catclaw mimosa	P, N, U	C, S
<i>Ardisia elliptica</i>	shoebutton ardisia	N	C, S	<i>Nandina domestica</i>	nandina, heavenly bamboo		N, C
(<i>A. humilis</i> misapplied)				<i>Nephrolepis brownii</i>	Asian sword fern		C, S
<i>Asparagus aethiopicus</i>	asparagus-fern		N, C, S	(= <i>N. multiflora</i>)			
(= <i>A. sprengeri</i> ; <i>A. densiflorus</i> misapplied)				<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	sword fern		N, C, S
<i>Bauhinia variegata</i>	orchid tree		C, S	<i>Neyraudia reynaudiana</i>	Burma reed, cane grass	N	S
<i>Bischofia javanica</i>	bishopwood		C, S	<i>Nymphoides cristata</i>	snowflake		C, S
<i>Calophyllum antillanum</i>	santa maria, mast wood,		S	<i>Paederia cruddasiana</i>	sewer vine, onion vine	N	S
(<i>C. calaba</i> and <i>C. inophyllum</i> misapplied)	Alexandrian laurel			<i>Paederia foetida</i>	skunk vine	N	N, C, S
<i>Casuarina equisetifolia</i>	Australian-pine, beach sheoak	P, N	N, C, S	<i>Panicum repens</i>	torpedo grass		N, C, S
				<i>Pennisetum purpureum</i>	Napier grass		N, C, S
<i>Casuarina glauca</i>	suckering Australian-pine, gray sheoak	P, N	C, S	<i>Phymatosorus scolopendria</i>	serpent fern, wart fern		S
				<i>Pistia stratiotes</i>	water-lettuce	P	N, C, S
<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	camphor tree		N, C, S	<i>Psidium cattleianum</i>	strawberry guava		C, S
<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>	wild taro		N, C, S	(= <i>P. littorale</i>)			
<i>Colubrina asiatica</i>	lather leaf	N	S	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	guava		C, S
<i>Cupaniopsis anacardioides</i>	carrotwood	N	C, S	<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	kudzu	N	N, C, S
<i>Deparia petersenii</i>	Japanese false spleenwort	I	N, C	(= <i>P. lobata</i>)			
<i>Dioscorea alata</i>	winged yam	N	N, C, S	<i>Rhodomyrtus tomentosa</i>	downy rose-myrtle	N	C, S
<i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i>	air-potato	N	N, C, S	<i>Rhynchelytrum repens</i>	(See <i>Melinis repens</i>)		
<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	water-hyacinth	P	N, C, S	<i>Ruellia simplex</i> ²	Mexican-petunia		N, C, S
<i>Eugenia uniflora</i>	Surinam cherry		C, S	<i>Salvinia minima</i>	water spangles		N, 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>Sapium sebiferum</i>	popcorn tree,	N	N, C, S
				(= <i>Triadica sebifera</i>)	Chinese tallow tree		
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla	P, U	N, C, S	<i>Scaevola taccada</i>	scaevola, half-flower,	N	C, S
<i>Hygrophila polysperma</i>	green hygro	P, U	N, C, S	(= <i>Scaevola sericea</i> , <i>S. frutescens</i>)	beach naupaka		
<i>Hymenachne amplexicaulis</i>	West Indian marsh grass		N, C, S	<i>Schefflera actinophylla</i>	schefflera, Queensland		C, S
<i>Imperata cylindrica</i>	cogon grass	N, U	N, C, S	(= <i>Brassaia actinophylla</i>)	umbrella tree		
(<i>I. brasiliensis</i> misapplied)				<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	Brazilian-pepper	P, N	N, C, S
<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i>	water-spinach	P, U	C	<i>Scleria lacustris</i>	Wright's nutrush		C, S
<i>Jasminum dichotomum</i>	Gold Coast jasmine		C, S	<i>Senna pendula</i> var. <i>glabrata</i>	climbing cassia,		C, S
<i>Jasminum fluminense</i>	Brazilian jasmine		C, S	(= <i>Cassia coluteoides</i>)	Christmas cassia, Christmas senna		
<i>Lantana camara</i>	lantana, shrub verben		N, C, S	<i>Solanum tampicense</i>	wetland nightshade,	N, U	C, S
(= <i>L. strigocamara</i>)				(= <i>S. houstonii</i>)	aquatic soda apple		
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	glossy privet		N, C	<i>Solanum viarum</i>	tropical soda apple	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Ligustrum sinense</i>	Chinese privet, hedge privet		N, C, S	<i>Syngonium podophyllum</i>	arrowhead vine		N, C, S
<i>Lonicera japonica</i>	Japanese honeysuckle		N, C, S	<i>Syzygium cumini</i>	jambolan-plum, Java-plum		C, S
<i>Ludwigia peruviana</i>	Peruvian primrosewillow		N, C, S	<i>Tectaria incisa</i>	incised halberd fern		S
<i>Lumnitzera racemosa</i>	kripa; white-flowered mangrove; black mangrove		S	<i>Thespesia populnea</i>	seaside mahoe		C, S
				<i>Tradescantia fluminensis</i>	small-leaf spiderwort		N, C
<i>Luziola subintegra</i>	Tropical American water grass		S	<i>Urena lobata</i>	Caesar's weed		N, C, S
<i>Lygodium japonicum</i>	Japanese climbing fern	N	N, C, S	<i>Urochloa mutica</i>	Para grass		C, S
<i>Lygodium microphyllum</i>	Old World climbing fern	N, U	C, S	(= <i>Brachiaria mutica</i>)			

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. Dis.	Scientific Name	Common Name	Gov. List	Reg. Dis.
<i>Adenanthera pavonina</i>	red sandalwood		S	<i>Livistona chinensis</i>	Chinese fan palm		C, S
<i>Agave sisalana</i>	sisal hemp		C, S	<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Chinaberry		N, C, S
<i>Aleurites fordii</i> (= <i>Vernicia fordii</i>)	tung oil tree		N, C	<i>Melinis minutiflora</i>	Molassesgrass		C,S
<i>Alstonia macrophylla</i>	devil tree		S	<i>Merremia tuberosa</i>	wood-rose		C, S
<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>	alligator weed	P	N, C, S	<i>Mikania micrantha</i>	mile-a-minute vine	N, U	S
<i>Antigonon leptopus</i>	coral vine		N, C, S	<i>Murraya paniculata</i>	orange-jessamine		S
<i>Ardisia japonica</i>	Japanese ardisia		N	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian water-milfoil	P	N, C, S
<i>Aristolochia littoralis</i>	calico flower		N, C, S	<i>Panicum maximum</i>	Guinea grass		N, C, S
<i>Asystasia gangetica</i>	Ganges primrose		C, S	(= <i>Urochloa maxima</i> , <i>Megathyrus maximus</i>)			
<i>Begonia cucullata</i>	wax begonia		N, C, S	<i>Passiflora biflora</i>	two-flowered passion vine		S
<i>Blechum pyramidatum</i> (see <i>Ruellia blechum</i>)				<i>Pennisetum setaceum</i>	green fountain grass		S
<i>Broussonetia papyrifera</i>	paper mulberry		N, C, S	<i>Phoenix reclinata</i>	Senegal date palm		C, S
<i>Bruguiera gymnorhiza</i>	large-leaved mangrove		S	<i>Phyllostachys aurea</i>	golden bamboo		N, C
<i>Callisia fragrans</i>	inch plant, spironema		C, S	<i>Pittosporum pentandrum</i>	Philippine pittosporum, Taiwanese cheesewood		S
<i>Callistemon viminalis</i>	bottlebrush,		C, S				
(= <i>Melaleuca viminalis</i>)	weeping bottlebrush			<i>Pteris vittata</i>	Chinese brake fern		N, C, S
<i>Casuarina cunninghamiana</i>	river sheoak, Australian-pine	P	C, S	<i>Ptychosperma elegans</i>	solitaire palm		S
<i>Cecropia palmata</i>	trumpet tree		S	<i>Rhoeo spathacea</i> (see <i>Tradescantia spathacea</i>)			
<i>Cestrum diurnum</i>	day jessamine		C, S	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	castor bean		N, C, S
<i>Chamaedorea seifrizii</i>	bamboo palm		S	<i>Rotala rotundifolia</i>	roundleaf toothcup, dwarf Rotala, redweed		S
<i>Clematis terniflora</i>	Japanese clematis		N, C				
<i>Cocos nucifera</i>	coconut palm		S	<i>Ruellia blechum</i>	green shrimp plant, Browne's blechum		N, C, S
<i>Cryptostegia madagascariensis</i>	rubber vine		C, S				
<i>Cyperus involucratus</i>	umbrella plant		C, S	<i>Sansevieria hyacinthoides</i>	bowstring hemp		C, S
(<i>C. alternifolius</i> misapplied)				<i>Sesbania punicea</i>	purple sesban, rattlebox		N, C, S
<i>Cyperus prolifer</i>	dwarf papyrus		C, S	<i>Solanum diphyllum</i>	two-leaf nightshade		N, C, S
<i>Dactyloctenium aegyptium</i>	Durban crowfootgrass		N, C, S	<i>Solanum torvum</i>	susumber, turkey berry	N, U	N, C, S
<i>Dalbergia sissoo</i>	Indian rosewood, sissoo		C, S	<i>Sphagneticola trilobata</i>	wedelia		N, C, S
<i>Elaeagnus pungens</i>	silverthorn, thorny olive		N, C	(= <i>Wedelia trilobata</i>)			
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	silverberry, autumn olive		N	<i>Stachytarpheta cayennensis</i>	nettle-leaf porterweed		S
<i>Epipremnum pinnatum</i>	pothos		C, S	(= <i>S. urticifolia</i>)			
cv. Aureum				<i>Syagrus romanzoffiana</i>	queen palm		C, S
<i>Ficus altissima</i>	false banyan, council tree		S	(= <i>Arecastrum romanzoffianum</i>)			
<i>Flacourtia indica</i>	governor's plum		S	<i>Syzygium jambos</i>	Malabar plum, rose-apple		N, C, S
<i>Hemarthria altissima</i>	limpo grass		C, S	<i>Talipariti tiliaceum</i>	mahoe, sea hibiscus		C, S
<i>Hibiscus tiliaceus</i> (See <i>Talipariti tiliaceum</i>)				(= <i>Hibiscus tiliaceus</i>)			
<i>Hyparrhenia rufa</i>	jaragua		N, C, S	<i>Terminalia catappa</i>	tropical-almond		C, S
<i>Ipomoea carnea</i> ssp. <i>fistulosa</i>	shrub morning-glory	P	C, S	<i>Terminalia muelleri</i>	Australian-almond		C, S
(= <i>I. fistulosa</i>)				<i>Tradescantia spathacea</i>	oyster plant		S
<i>Kalanchoe pinnata</i>	life plant		C, S	(= <i>Rhoeo spathacea</i> , <i>Rhoeo discolor</i>)			
(= <i>Bryophyllum pinnatum</i>)				<i>Tribulus cistoides</i>	puncture vine, burr-nut		N, C, S
<i>Koelreuteria elegans</i>	flamegold tree		C, S	<i>Vitex trifolia</i>	simple-leaf chaste tree		C, S
ssp. <i>formosana</i> (= <i>K. formosana</i> ; <i>K. paniculata</i> misapplied)				<i>Washingtonia robusta</i>	Washington fan palm		C, S
<i>Landoltia punctata</i>	Spotted duckweed		N, C, S	<i>Wedelia</i> (see <i>Sphagneticola</i> above)			
(= <i>Spirodela punctata</i>)				<i>Wisteria sinensis</i>	Chinese wisteria		N, C
<i>Leucaena leucocephala</i>	lead tree	N	N, C, S	<i>Xanthosoma sagittifolium</i>	malanga, elephant ear		N, C, S
<i>Limnophila sessiliflora</i>	Asian marshweed	P, U	N, C, S				

¹Does not include *Ficus microcarpa* subsp. *fuyuensis*, which is sold as “Green Island Ficus” ²Many 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*.