

Worst Invasive Plants of Tompkins County, New York

Species name	Common name	Family
<i>Acer platanoides</i> *	Norway maple	Aceraceae
<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	goutweed, bishop's weed	Apiaceae
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i> *	ailanthus, tree-of-heaven	Simaroubaceae
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i> *	garlic mustard	Brassicaceae
<i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> *	mugwort	Asteraceae
<i>Berberis thunbergii</i> *	Japanese barberry	Berberidaceae
<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	European barberry	Berberidaceae
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	hairy cress	Brassicaceae
<i>Celastrus orbiculata</i> *	Asian bittersweet	Celastraceae
<i>Centaurea maculosa</i>	spotted knapweed	Asteraceae
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	creeping thistle	Asteraceae
<i>Coronilla varia</i> *	crownvetch	Fabaceae
<i>Cynanchum rossicum</i> * (<i>Vincetoxicum rossicum</i>)	pale swallowwort	Asclepiadaceae
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i> *	autumn olive	Elaeagnaceae
<i>Galium mollugo</i>	white bedstraw	Rubiaceae
<i>Hedera helix</i>	English ivy	Araliaceae
<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	giant hogweed	Apiaceae
<i>Ligustrum obtusifolium</i> *	Amur privet	Oleaceae
<i>Lonicera morrowii</i> * and hybrids	honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae
<i>Lonicera tatarica</i> * and hybrids	Tartarian honeysuckle	Caprifoliaceae
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	purple loosestrife	Lythraceae
<i>Phragmites australis</i> *	giant reed	Poaceae
<i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i> * (<i>Fallopia japonica</i>)	Japanese knotweed	Polygonaceae
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i> *	lesser celandine	Ranunculaceae
<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> *	buckthorn	Rhamnaceae
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i> *	alder buckthorn	Rhamnaceae
<i>Rosa multiflora</i> *	multiflora rose	Rosaceae
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	bittersweet nightshade	Solanaceae
<i>Vinca minor</i>	periwinkle	Apocynaceae

* The most invasive species in this area.

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