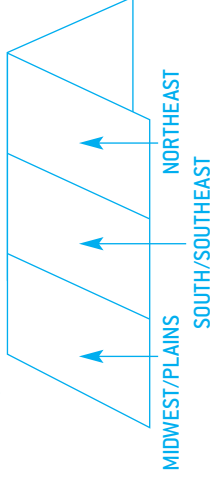


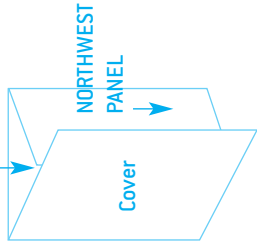
Instructions for creating your own Invasives Plant List wallet card:

- 1) Trim card using the crop marks
- 3) Fold in half lengthwise
- 3) With panels Northwest, South/Southwest and Midwest/Plains facing you, fold the Midwest/Plains panel to the left onto South/Southeast, then fold the Cover over to complete

Step 2



Step 3



Choosing the Right Plants,  
Region by Region

Carry this wallet card and use it as a reference when you buy nursery plants. Avoid buying plants listed in your region. On their home turf, plants are kept in check by natural controls. But when introduced into a new landscape, free from natural competitors, some species become "invasive," spreading and crowding out native plants and animals and costing billions in property damage. Before you buy, find out if a particular plant is right for your region. This card is just a start. It contains a sampler of plants to avoid, but every region of the United States is plagued by many interloping plants. Ask your nursery for advice, and consult Web sites such as [www.invasive.org](http://www.invasive.org) and [plants.usda.gov](http://plants.usda.gov) for more information.

You can help stop invasive plants.

INVASIVE  
PLANT LIST

Avoid These Plants In Your Garden



MIDWEST/PLAINS

Bush honeysuckle  
(*Lonicera maackii*, *L. morrowii*,  
*L. tatarica*)

Eurasian watermilfoil  
(*Myriophyllum spicatum*)

European (or common) buckthorn  
(*Rhamnus cathartica*)

Russian olive (shown)  
(*Elaeagnus angustifolia*)

Service, or Chinese lespedeza  
(*Lespedeza cuneata*)



*Elaeagnus angustifolia*

NORTHWEST

Gorse  
(*Ulex europaeus*)

Japanese knotweed  
(*Polygonum cuspidatum*)

Mediterranean (or African) sage  
(*Salvia aethiopsis*)

Scotch broom (shown)  
(*Cytisus scoparius*)

Sulfur cinquefoil  
(*Potentilla recta*)



*Cytisus scoparius*

SOUTH/SOUTHEAST

Chinese tallow  
(*Triadica sebifera*, or *Sapium sebiferum*)

Cogongrass  
(*Imperata cylindrica*, *I. brasilienis*)

Japanese climbing fern  
(*Lygodium japonicum*)

Japanese honeysuckle  
(*Lonicera japonica*)

Water hyacinth (shown)  
(*Eichhornia crassipes*)



*Eichhornia crassipes*

SOUTHWEST

Camelthorn  
(*Alhagi pseudalbagi*)

Fountaingrass  
(*Pennisetum setaceum*)

Giant reed  
(*Arundo donax*)

Tamarisk, or salt cedar  
(*Tamarix spp.*)

Toadflax, or butter and eggs (shown)  
(*Linaria vulgaris*, *L. dalmatica*)



*Linaria vulgaris*

NORTHEAST

Asian (or oriental) bitterweet (shown)  
(*Celastrus orbiculata*)

Creeping buttercup  
(*Ranunculus repens*)

Japanese knotweed  
(*Polygonum cuspidatum*)

Porcelain berry  
(*Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*)

Water chestnut  
(*Trapa natans*)



*Celastrus orbiculata*

trim here

trim here

trim here

fold here

trim here

trim here

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