

What is an exotic plant?

We call plants “*exotic*” if they have been moved by people to places outside their known natural range where they would not likely have been dispersed naturally by wind, water or wildlife. Other terms for exotic include alien, non-native and non-indigenous.

What makes an exotic plant invasive?

Exotic plants are considered *invasive* when they become abundant and grow in a manner that causes habitat degradation, displacement of native plants and animals and disruption of ecological processes.

How many invasive exotic plants are there?

Of the nearly 5,000 non-native plants occurring in the wild in the U.S., over 1,200 species are reported to be invasive in natural areas, according to the Invasive Plant Atlas of the United States (www.invasiveplantatlas.org). In the mid-Atlantic region, over 300 invasive plant species pose a threat to our native flora and fauna. For more information, visit the MAIPC website at: www.maipc.org

Some highly invasive plants in our area include:

Aquatics Eurasian watermilfoil Hydrilla Water chestnut
Forbs Beefsteak Plant Fig buttercup Garlic mustard Japanese knotweed Purple loosestrife
Grasses Exotic bamboos Japanese stiltgrass Wavyleaf basketgrass
Shrubs Amur honeysuckle Chinese privet Japanese barberry Multiflora rose
Trees Callery pear Princess tree Tree of heaven White mulberry
Vines Asiatic bittersweet Chinese & Japanese wisteria Creeping euonymus English ivy Fiveleaf akebia Japanese honeysuckle Kudzu Mile-a-minute weed Porcelain-berry Sweet autumn virgins-bower

Member Application

Complete this form and send with your check made payable to ‘MAIPC’ to:

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Membership Categories

Annual

<input type="checkbox"/> Student/Senior	\$15
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/family	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing Institutional	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Institutional	\$1,000

Lifetime

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$250
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What is the Mid-Atlantic Invasive Plant Council?

The Mid-Atlantic Invasive Plant Council (MAIPC), previously the Mid-Atlantic Exotic Pest Plant Council (MA-EPPC), was established in 2000. Council representation includes federal, state and local government agencies, non-governmental organizations, industry, academia, and individuals from Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

MAIPC provides regional leadership to educate the public and practitioners on the serious impacts of invasive plants, how to prevent their introduction and spread and how to effectively manage invasives in order to protect and restore native species and ecosystems.

MAIPC provides guidance on:

- 1) Identifying invasive species
- 2) Mapping infestations
- 3) Choosing effective control options
- 4) Restoring sites
- 6) Training volunteers
- 7) Identifying research needs

The Mid-Atlantic Invasive Plant Council is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, not-for-profit organization. Membership contributions may be tax-deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.

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How Can You Help?

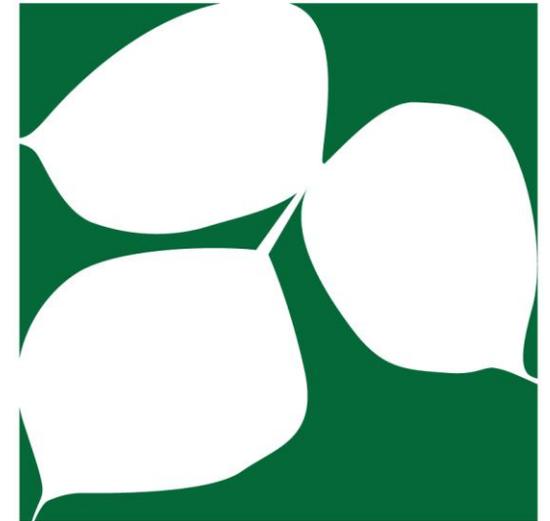
- ⌘ Learn to recognize invasive plants
- ⌘ Learn how to control invasive species effectively
- ⌘ Volunteer to help remove invasive plants from a park or natural area
- ⌘ Use native plants in your home landscape to support birds and other wildlife
- ⌘ Teach others how to identify and control invasive plants
- ⌘ Attend conferences and workshops to learn more
- ⌘ Become a member of the Mid-Atlantic Invasive Plant Council

Please Join Us!

Your membership provides MAIPC resources needed to:

- Hold conferences and workshops
- Produce educational materials
- Maintain our website and list-serve to support member communication
- Support research projects
- Train volunteers

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