

Memorandum

Community Services
Planning and Heritage Section
Development Section



Invasive Landscape Plants

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The following landscape plants are considered to be invasive to very invasive of natural areas due to either seed dispersal by wind or via birds or animals, *etc.* This list is based in part on the document 'Invasive Plants of Natural Habitats in Canada' available on the Internet at www.cws-scf.ec.gc.ca.

Invasive plant are not to be installed on sites within 100 metres of a woodlot, greenbelt or other natural area.

Urban Forestry, at their discretion, may request substitutions for proposed plant species other than those listed here, thought not to be appropriate for use near to or adjacent a particular site.

Seeds spread by birds and animals -These species should not be used in any plantings for any purposes!

Burning bush (*Euonymus alatus*) and all cultivars
Wintercreeper euonymus (*Euonymus fortunei*) and all cultivars
Tartarian honeysuckle (*Lonicera tartarica*) and all cultivars (*e.g.* Arnold's Red, Zabel's, *etc.*)
Amur honeysuckle (*Lonicera mackii*) and all cultivars
Belle's honeysuckle (*Lonicera x bella*) and all cultivars
Morrow's honeysuckle (*Lonicera morrowii*) and all cultivars
European fly honeysuckle (*Lonicera xylosteum*) and all cultivars
Hybrid European fly honeysuckle (*Lonicera x xylosteoides*) and all cultivars (*e.g.* Clavey's Dwarf)
White mulberry (*Morus alba*) and all cultivars
Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*)
Vinca (*Vinca minor*) and all cultivars

Seeds spread by wind - These species should not be used within 100 metres upwind of natural areas

Norway maple (*Acer platanoides*) and all cultivars (*e.g.* Royal Red, Schwedler, Columnar, *etc.*)
European white birch (*Betula alba*) and all cultivars (*e.g.* *pendula*)
European ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) and all cultivars
European white poplar (*Populus alba*)
Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris*)
White willow (*Salix alba* or *babylonica*)
Purple willow (*Salix purpurea*)
Goat willow (*Salix caprea*) often sold as pussy willow
Crack willow (*Salix fragilis*)

Plants spread by runners or cuttings improperly disposed

Burning bush (*Euonymus alatus*) and all cultivars
False Spirea (*Sorbaria sorbifolia*)
Wintercreeper euonymus (*Euonymus fortunei*) and all cultivars
Vinca (*Vinca minor*) and all cultivars
Vinca major and all cultivars