

# Invasive Nonindigenous Plants to Avoid

The plants listed below are still offered for sale by nurseries, despite the fact that several have been found by scientific evaluation to be invasive in CT and several states in New England. States that have prohibited the sale of certain species are indicated in parentheses after the plant name.

## Trees

Norway maple, *Acer platanoides* (MA)

Sycamore maple, *Acer pseudoplatanus* (CT)

Kousa dogwood, *Cornus kousa*

Callery (Bradford) pear, *Pyrus calleryana*

Weeping willow, *Salix babylonica*

## Shrubs

Japanese barberry, *Berberis thunbergii* (MA,NY)

Butterfly bush, *Buddleia davidii*

Burning bush, Winged Euonymus, *Euonymus alatus* (MA)

Showy forsythia, *Forsythia x intermedia*

Rose of Sharon, *Hibiscus syriacus*

Amur honeysuckle, *Lonicera mackii* (CT, MA)

Morrow's honeysuckle, *Lonicera morrowii* (CT, MA, NH)

Tatarian honeysuckle, *Lonicera tatarica* (CT, MA, NH)

Dwarf honeysuckle, *Lonicera xylosteum* (CT)

Bell's honeysuckle, *Lonicera x bella* (CT, MA, NH)

Purple-osier willow, *Salix purpurea*

Linden viburnum, *Viburnum dilatatum*

Wayfaring tree, *Viburnum lantana*

Guelder rose, *Viburnum opulus var. opulus*

Japanese snowball, *Viburnum plicatum*

Leatherleaf viburnum, *Viburnum rhytidophyllum*

## **Shrubs (cont.)**

Tea viburnum, *Viburnum setigerum*

Siebold's viburnum, *Viburnum sieboldii*

Chaste tree, *Vitex agnus-castus*

## **Vines**

Porcelainberry, *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata* (MA)

Oriental bittersweet, *Celastrus orbiculatus* (CT, MA, NH)

Japanese honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica* (CT, MA, NH)

Japanese wisteria, *Wisteria japonica*

Chinese wisteria, *Wisteria sinensis*

## **Perennials, Grasses, and Groundcovers**

Goutweed, *Aegopodium podagraria* (CT, MA)

Pampas grass, *Cortaderia selloana*

Yellow water iris, *Iris pseudacorus* (CT, MA, NH)

Purple loosestrife, *Lythrum salicaria* (CT, MA)

Plume grass, Chinese Silvergrass, *Miscanthus sinensis*

Fountain grasses, *Pennisetum spp.* (four species in MA)

Periwinkle or Myrtle, *Vinca minor* and *V. major*

Japanese Pachysandra, *Pachysandra terminalis*

