

# Japanese knotweed

(*Reynoutria japonica*)



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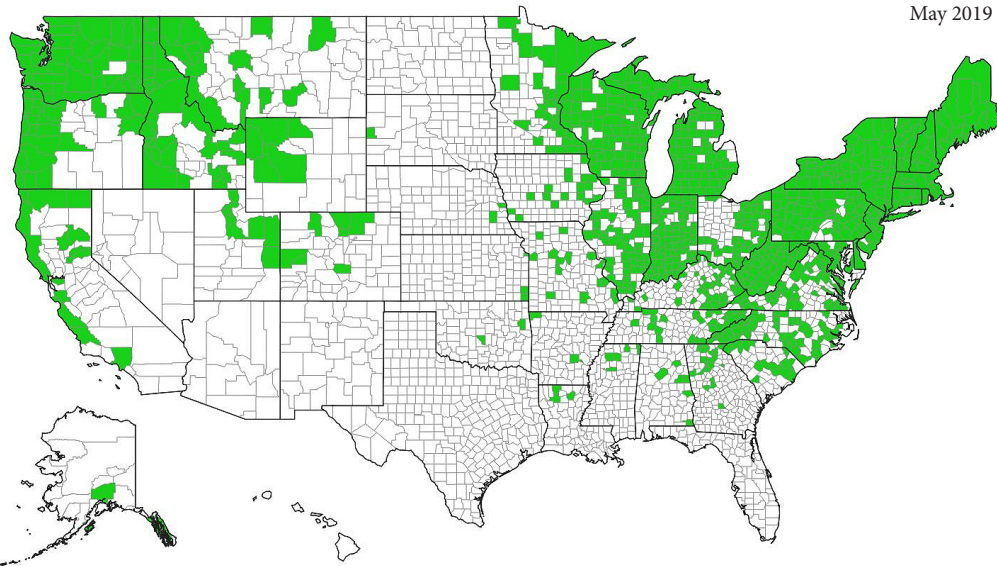
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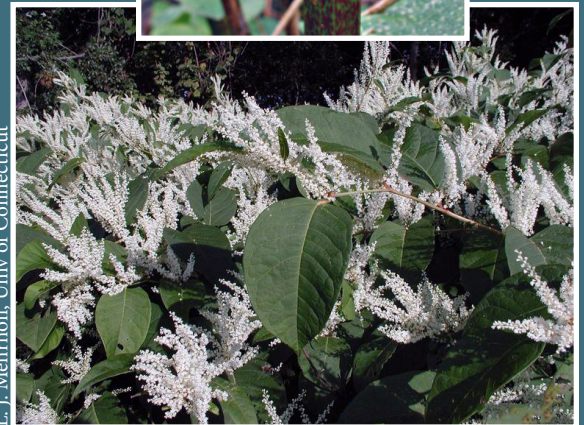
- Native to eastern Asia and introduced in late 1800s.
- Dense woody shrub growing  $\leq 10$  ft. tall.
- Semi-woody stem hollow with enlarged nodes (zigzags).
- Leaves hairless, alternate, 6 in. long, 3-4 in. wide and broadly oval or oval shaped.
- Small, greenish-white flowers develop in long panicles in the axils of the leaves in late summer.
- Reproduces via seed (dioecious) and vegetatively via rhizomes.

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