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Resource Reference cheat sheet

DIGITAL RESOURCES

VTinvasives Website www.vtinvasives.org; highlights include

- Invasive Plant Gallery <https://vtinvasives.org/gallery-of-terrestrial-plants>
- Invasive Plant Management Regulations <https://vtinvasives.org/land/management>
- Forest Hero! Network homepage <https://www.vtinvasives.org/about-us/invasive-plant-program/forest-hero-network>
- Invasive Plant Volunteer opportunities <https://www.vtinvasives.org/about-us/invasive-plant-program/volunteer-opportunities>
- Outreach Resources for Volunteers www.VTinvasives.org/get-involved/outreach
- The Resource Hub www.VTinvasives.org/resource-hub
- **Project how-to guide: A complete project planning resource**
 - Developing Invasive Plant Outreach and Management Projects: A Guide for Vermont Communities and Conservation Organizations.
 - Planning your project
 - Comparison of Project Strategies based on Project Scale
 - Finding appropriate partners based on the type of project
 - Ideas for possible partners
 - Sample MOU
 - **Recruiting and working with volunteers**
 - Resources for recruiting volunteers
 - How to find the right volunteers for your particular project
 - Volunteer interest form template
 - Sample volunteer job description
 - **Organizing and executing a workday**
 - Resources for organizing a successful community event
 - Volunteer sign-in sheet template
 - Work release and sign-in sheet template
 - Common supplies needed for an invasives control workday
 - **Getting the word out**
 - Resources for working with the media
 - Sample press release
 - **Working with governments and schools**
 - Examples of Vermont State education standards
 - Sample Indemnity agreement

Other useful websites for ID

- Invasives 101: <https://www.invasive.org/101/index.cfm>
- mistaken identity – distinguishing invasive plants from locally-evolved lookalikes: https://delawareinvasives.net/yahoo_site_admin/assets/docs/Mistaken_Identity.5855244.pdf
- GoBotany
- [Michigan Flora](#)
- [New York Flora](#)
- [International Plant Names Index](#)

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- [World Flora Online](#)
- [eFloras.org](#)
- [Plants of the World Online](#)

Tutorials and Quizzes for Vermont Invasive Species, that are helpful for learning to ID many species:

- Asiatic (Oriental) Bittersweet ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/OrientalBittersweet/>
- Autumn Olive ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/AutumnOlive/>
- Bishops weed /Goutweed ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Bishopsgoutweed/>
- Black Locust ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Blacklocust/>
- Black Swallowwort ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/BlackSwallowWort/>
- Common Buckthorn ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Commonbuckthorn/>
- Dame's Rocket ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/DamesRocket/>
- European Black Alder ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Blackalder/>
- Garlic Mustard ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/GarlicMustard/>
- Glossy Buckthorn ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/GlossyBuckthorn/>
- Honeysuckle ID: Several easily confused invasive honeysuckles occur in Vermont.
 - Amur honeysuckle: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/AmurHoneysuckle/>
 - Morrow's honeysuckle:
<http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/MorrowsHoneysuckle/>
 - Tatarian honeysuckle: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Tatarianhoneysuckle/>
 - x bella honeysuckle: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/BellsHoneysuckle/>
(Morrows/Tatarian hybrid)
- Japanese Barberry ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/JapaneseBarberry/>
- Japanese Knotweed ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/JapaneseKnotweed/>
- Multiflora Rose ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/MultifloraRose/>
- Norway Maple ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/NorwayMaple/>
- Phragmites (Common Reed) ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/Phragmites/>
- Purple Loosestrife ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/PurpleLoosestrife/>
- Russian Olive ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/RussianOlive/>
- Tree of Heaven ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/TreeOfHeaven/>
- Wild Parsnip ID: <http://www.misin.msu.edu/train/species/WildParsnip/>

PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Essex Tool Loan Library

- Management tools (check with your local Conservation Commission or library, too!)
 - wrenches
 - loppers
 - gloves
- Education tools
 - Tabling Kit
 - Terrestrial Invasive Plants Kit
 - Aquatic Invasive Plants Kit

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