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Lollipop climber (*Diplocyclos palmatus*)



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Rubber vine (*Cryptostegia grandiflora*)



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Yellow flag (*Iris pseudacorus*)



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Mauritian hemp (*Furcraea foetida*)



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Empress tree (*Paulownia tomentosa*)



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Coral creeper (*Antigonon leptopus*)

## What's lurking in your garden?

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These invasive alien plants may be hiding in your garden.  
Learn to identify and remove them.



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Mexican sunflower  
(*Tithonia diversifolia*)

#### Why are invasive plants a problem?

- Use up precious water resources
- Outcompete indigenous plants
- Change the chemical constituents of soil
- Threaten rare and endangered plants
- Threaten subsistence farming
- Clog up waterways
- Exacerbate wildfires





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Ant tree (*Triplaris americana*)



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Yellow bells (*Tecoma stans*)



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Delta arrowhead (*Sagittaria platyphylla*)



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Coralberry tree (*Ardisia crenata*)



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Inchplant (*Tradescantia zebrina*)



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Leafy spurge (*Euphorbia esula*)



# Controlling invasive species

Invasive species are controlled under the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act (Act no. 10 of 2004) Alien and Invasive Species (AIS) Regulations.

The National List includes 567 invasive species in four categories.

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## Category 1a

- Combat, eradicate and remove these invasive species.
- Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

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- Control and wherever possible, remove and destroy.
- Any form or trade or planting is strictly prohibited.
- Property owners and organs of state must develop control plans to detail the long-term control of these species.

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## Category 2

- Species requiring a permit issued by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE).
- Species must not spread outside of demarcated land.
- Unpermitted Category 2 species revert to Category 1b.

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## Category 3

- Species may remain in prescribed areas or provinces.
- Further planting, propagation or trade, is prohibited.
- If species occur within a protected area or riparian (wetland) they revert to Category 1b.

### For more information

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