

INVASIVE PLANTS

If you see these culprits, act!



KNOTWEED

requires professional removal

! HOGWEED *sap burns; immediate professional removal*



BUTTERFLY BUSH

remove it by the roots

GORSE

remove it by the roots



HAWKWEED

remove it by the roots

IVY

hand pull it from the ground



LAMIUM

remove it by the roots

POLICEMAN'S HELMET

hand pull it from the ground



PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE

remove it by the roots

REED CANARY GRASS

keep trimmed to prevent seeding



SCOTCH BROOM

cut from base or remove by roots

SPURGE LAUREL

remove it by the roots, wear gloves



What are invasive plants?

- Invasive plants are non-native plants that out-compete native plants and spread quickly.
- They destroy food sources and take over important habitats.
- Some are even hazardous to human health.

How can you help?

- When planting choose native plants.
- Don't dump green waste—it is not giving back to nature. Dumping green waste in parks and greenbelts is illegal; it spreads invasive species, increases fire hazards and is costly to clean up.
- Want to help remove invasive plants and restore natural habitats become a volunteer at volunteer@westvancouver.ca!

There are 19 species targeted in the District's Invasive Plants Strategy. For more information about the strategy or about local invasive plants, visit westvancouver.ca/invasiveplants.



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