Invasive Shrubs

Invasive shrubs like Amur
Honeysuckle are widespread
throughout Knox County.
They invade wooded areas
and outcompete native plants
and trees. Some generalist
birds aid in invasive shrub
dispersal by feeding on their
bright berries, spreading
these shrubs far and wide
from where they were planted.
These shrubs have minimal
wildlife value compared to the
native tree and shrub species
that they replace.

For more information on invasive plants in the area, check out our website:
www.knoxcountycisma.org



Amur Honeysuckle (all the green shrubbery) invading a wooded area in Knox County.

*If you need help identifying or removing the invasive shrubs on your property, please send an email to willem.drews@in.nacdnet.net.



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Knox County Invasive Shrub Replacement Program 2023

Grow Native, Not Invasive!

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General Program Info

The Knox County CISMA is happy to host its third county wide invasive shrub replacement program in 2023 for homeowners, businesses, churches, schools, and other organizations. Remove invasive shrubs on your property and receive native bareroot shrubs to replace them!

Replacement shrubs to choose from include Fragrant Sumac, Spicebush, Ninebark, and Downy Serviceberry. Submit before and after pictures of the removal as well as number and species of invasive shrubs removed to Will Drews at willem.drews@in.nacdnet.net by April 21st or bring proof pick up day.

Native shrubs will be available for pick up at the Vincennes USDA Service Center on Saturday, April 22nd on a first come, first served basis.



Native Shrubs Available

Fragrant Sumac (Rhus aromatica)

- Small to medium shrub (pictured on left panel)
- Good replacement for Japanese Barberry, Wintercreeper, Burning Bush



Ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius*)

- Small to medium shrub
- Good replacement for Japanese Barberry, Burning Bush, Japanese Spirea, European Highbush Cranberry



Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)

- Medium shrub
- Good replacement for Amur Honeysuckle, Border Privet, Autumn Olive



Downy Serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)

- Large shrub to small tree
- Good replacement for Callery Pear, Autumn Olive, Burning Bush

Planting a Bare Root Shrub

See this Gardener's Supply Company article: https://www.gardeners.com/how-to/planting-bare-root/8764.html



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