

Japanese Knotweed
(*Fallopia Japonica*)



Dead Japanese Knotweed (Winter)



Woody canes remain which are hollow and brittle

Other Invasive Alien Plant Species you may see along the river



Cherry Laurel



Rhododendron



Snowberry



Floating Pennywort

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Riverbank
Invasive Alien Plants
Pocket Identification Guide



Invasive Alien Plant Species have colonised riverbanks throughout Northern Ireland.

They threaten our native wildlife, economy and in some cases can be harmful to us.

If you see any of the plants please report them to Invasive Species Ireland's Report a Sighting tab - www.invasivespeciesireland.com/report-sighting/



Giant Hogweed
(*Heracleum Mantegazzianum*)

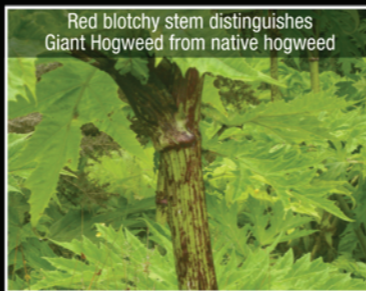


DO NOT TOUCH THIS PLANT

Flowering Plant (Summer)
Can grow up to 3m tall



Seed head of the Giant Hogweed (late summer). In winter the tall woody stem will remain



Red blotchy stem distinguishes Giant Hogweed from native hogweed



First germination (normally one leaf per stem)



Rapid spring growth results in many jagged edged leaves

Himalayan Balsam
(*Impatiens Glandulifera*)



Flowering Plant (Summer)



Young (spring) foliage before flowering. Can grow up to 2-3m

Japanese Knotweed
(*Fallopia Japonica*)



In summer, tall bushes of heart shaped leaves



New shoot (Spring)



Bamboo-like canes in dense stands (Summer). Young (spring) foliage before flowering. Can grow up to 2-3m