

Wisteria sinensis

Chinese wisteria



Appearance: Aggressive, woody, twining, high climbing vine, often growing to the tops of trees; to about 20 m long; frequently sprouting from extensive root system; sometimes trained as a shrub.

Leaves: Alternate, odd-pinnately compound, 7–30 cm (3–12 in) in overall length; leaflets 7-13, broadly lanceolate to elliptic, entire, 4-10 cm (1.6–4 in) long, 2–6 cm (0.8–2.4 in) wide.

Flowers: Bluish-violet, or white or purplish-violet in cultivated forms; borne in long, pendent terminal racemes, to 10-40 cm long; flower 2–2.7 cm (0.8–1 in) long.

Fruit: A densely hairy, woody, knobby, linear pod to about 15 cm (6 in) long.

Ecological threat:

FLEPPC Category II—Invasive exotics that have increased in abundance or frequency but have not yet altered Florida plant communities to the extent shown by Category I species.

Distribution: NW, NE, C, SW



Field Notations

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