

# *Ardisia japonica*

## JAPANESE ARDISIA

### Myrsinaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

**FLEPPC Category:** 2

**FDACS Listed Noxious Weed:** No

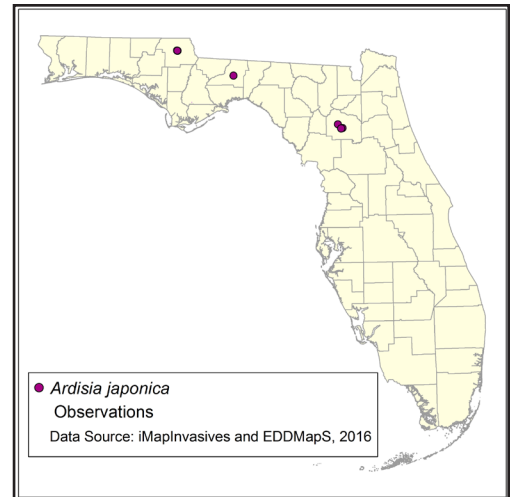
**IFAS Assessment**

North	INVASIVE
Central	CAUTION
South	OK

**USDA Hardiness Zone:** 6A - 10B

**Growth Habit:** Shrub

**Origin:** Japan



**Description:** Low shrub with a cluster of slender, unbranched stems to 30 cm tall. Leaves dull and rough-textured with serrated margins. Flower small, 5-petaled, pink or white. Red berries, usually not abundant, occur singly next to the stem.

**Habitat:** Upland hardwood forests

**Comments:** Only a few records, possibly can prevent establishment. Spreads by suckers.

**Florida Introduction Date:** specimen vouchered in 1975

**Control Methods:**

No specific recommendations available

**Useful Resources:**

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