

# *Jasminum fluminense*

JASMINE

Oleaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

FLEPPC Category: 1

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

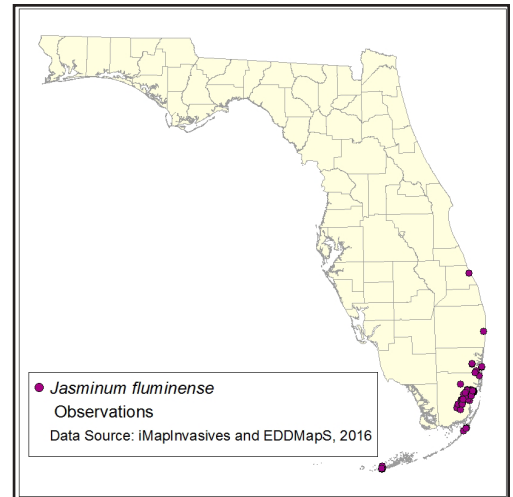
IFAS Assessment

North	CAUTION
Central	INVASIVE
South	INVASIVE

USDA Hardiness Zone: 9b-11

Growth Habit: Vine

Origin: Tropical West Africa



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**Description:** Evergreen, woody vine which climbs into tree canopies. Stalked leaves are opposite and trifoliate, with the terminal leaflet larger (to 7 cm long) than the other two (to 5 cm). Leaflets pubescent with pointed tips. Flowers white and fragrant, blooming at night in clusters at leaf axils, petals fused into a narrow tube with 5-7 terminal lobes in a star-shape. Fruit is a small, fleshy, round, black berry.

**Habitat:** hardwood forests, disturbed areas

**Comments:** Can climb into the tree canopy of mature forests. Bird and mammal dispersed; produces large number of highly germinable seeds.

**Florida Introduction Date:** early 1920's

**Control Methods:**

Mechanical: Hand pull seedlings.

Chemical: Foliar (5% glyphosate, IFAS), cut-stump (50% trichlopyr amine or 10% trichlopyr ester, IFAS), basal bark (10% trichlopyr ester, IFAS).

**Useful Resources:**

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