

Pyrus calleryana

CALLERY PEAR

Rosaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

FLEPPC Category: -

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

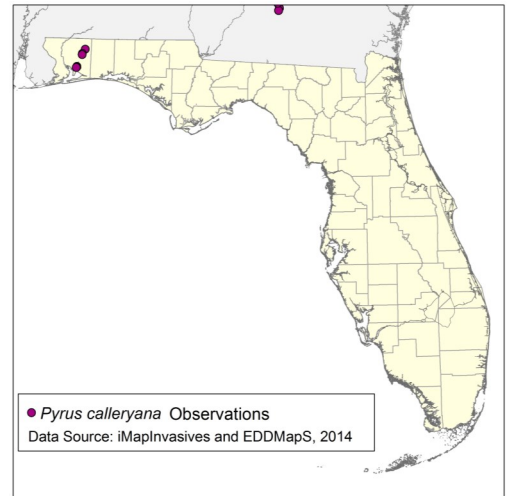
IFAS Assessment

North -
Central -
South -

USDA Hardiness Zone: 5-9

Growth Habit: Tree

Origin: China



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Description: Tree 9-18 m in height, deciduous, with upright branches, some trees thorny. Leaves alternate, ovate, 5-7.6 cm long, leathery, lustrous green, turning shades of yellow, orange, purple and red in fall. Flowers 2.5 cm across, arranged in clusters of a dozen, each cluster about 8 cm across, appearing before and with the leaves in early spring. Fruit a pome, spherical, brown, about 1.5 cm in diameter.

Habitat: disturbed areas

Comments: May form thickets from root sprouts or seed. Seeds spread by birds and other animals (USDA FS).

Florida Introduction Date: 1963

Control Methods:

Mechanical: Manual pulling of seedlings. Cut and bulldoze mature trees when fruit are absent.

Chemical: Cut large stems and treat with glyphosate at 25-50% (USDA FS).

Useful Resources:

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