

Antigonon leptopus

CORAL VINE

Polygonaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

FLEPPC Category: 2

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

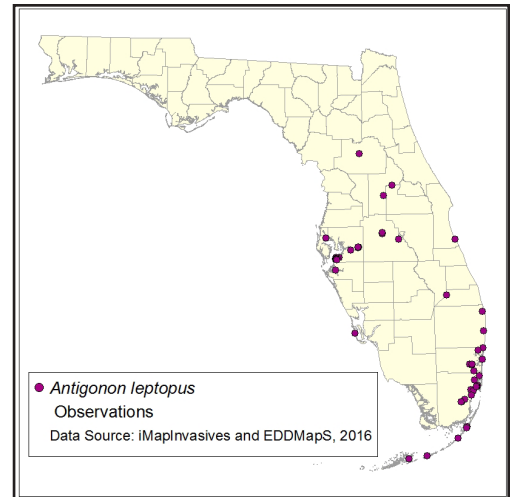
IFAS Assessment

North	CAUTION
Central	CAUTION
South	CAUTION

USDA Hardiness Zone: 8a-10b

Growth Habit: Vine

Origin: Mexico



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Description: Perennial, herbaceous vine to 12 m with a slightly woody base and tuberous roots. Stems jointed with tendrils, and appearing in a zigzag pattern, often hairy. Leaves alternate, simple, to 15 cm long and 10 cm wide, heart-shaped with wavy margins. Showy, pink to purplish red, stalked flowers to 2.5 cm long. Fruit a small 3-angled achene.

Habitat: hammock margins and disturbed areas

Florida Introduction Date: pre-1916

Control Methods: .

Chemical: Limited research or data on chemical control, best recommendation foliar application of glyphosate or trichlopyr (IFAS, CAIP)..

Useful Resources:

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Comments: Highly invasive in Guam.