

Japanese Honeysuckle

(*Lonicera japonica*)

What is Japanese honeysuckle? Why is it bad?

Japanese honeysuckle is a fast growing vine. It has glossy green leaves, and fragrant white to yellow flowers. Japanese honeysuckle's twining stems strangle vegetation and anything else in its way.

In Koke'e on Kaua'i, Japanese honeysuckle is becoming worse than Banana poka. Honeysuckle is currently planted in many places on Maui. Please do not plant Japanese honeysuckle. If you see this plant in the wild, pull it up, or alert the HEAR project.

What should you do if you see this plant?

1. Call the Hawaii Ecosystems at Risk (HEAR) project at 572-4418.
2. Please do not plant this in your yard.
3. Pull out the vine, if possible. Otherwise, cut near the root of the plant, and treat with an herbicide.
4. For more information, call 572-4418, or websurf to <http://www.hear.org>.



You can help keep Maui no ka oi.
Report all sightings of Japanese honeysuckle to the HEAR project at 572-4418.