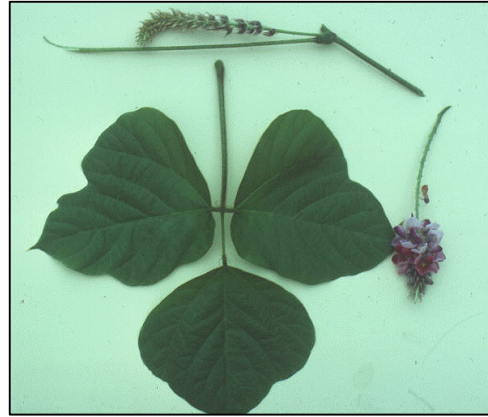
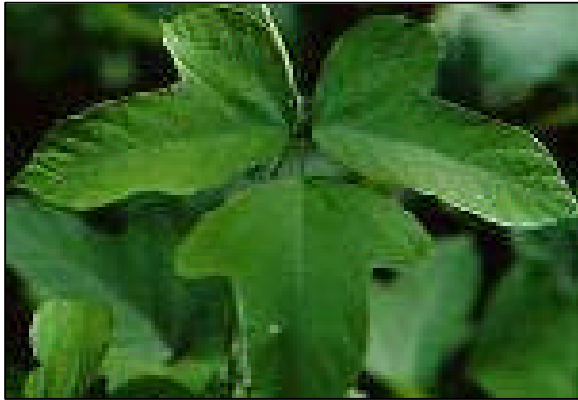


# Kudzu

(*Pueraria lobata*)



## **What is Kudzu? Why is it bad?**

Kudzu is a climbing, semi-woody, vine with deciduous, lobed leaves. Kudzu forms a dense canopy, and smothers vegetation, fences, forests, pastures, and farm land.

Kudzu covers more acreage in the Southeast United States than any other plant species. On Maui, kudzu is currently found in Keanae, Wailua, and Nahiku, on the windward north shore.

## **What should you do if you see this plant?**

1. Call the HEAR project at 572-4418.
2. Dig out the root of the vine, if possible. Otherwise, cut the vine near the root of the plant, and treat with an appropriate herbicide.
3. 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 Kudzu to the HEAR project at 572-4418.