

Cape Ivy

Delairea odorata

Call 808-266-7994



WHAT IS IT?

- Cape Ivy, or (*Delairea odorata*), native to South Africa, is a popular ornamental climbing vine used in landscaping.
- It has become a serious weed in California, New Zealand, Australia, and Hawai'i.
- It can be found in dry shrub communities to rain forest.

WHY IS IT A PROBLEM?

- Cape Ivy is an aggressive smothering vine that escapes from cultivation.
- This plant is capable of rapid growth rates.
- Native vegetation is crowded out and reproduction is hindered.
- It may also be potentially toxic to aquatic organisms and humans.

WHO IS OISC?

- The O'ahu Invasive Species Committee (OISC) is a multi-sector partnership protecting O'ahu from invasive plants and animals that threaten our environment, economy, and quality of life.
- OISC focuses on species that are not widely established on this island and can still be controlled or eradicated.
- OISC partners include the Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources, the Department of Agriculture, Honolulu Board of Water Supply and other municipal, state and federal agencies.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Allow the OISC field crew on your property to survey for *Delairea odorata* if asked. According to Hawai'i state law, landowners are not liable for workers surveying for or removing invasive species.
- Report all sightings to 286-4616.
- Do not plant, import, buy, or sell.
- If found, do not throw plants away! Call OISC for proper disposal.
- Learn more at www.hear.org.



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