

# Garlic Mustard—*Alliaria petiolata* BIEB. Prohibited Noxious Weed—Control List



Biennial—12 –36 inches tall

Only plant of this height in the wooded landscapes during May with 4-petal white blooms. Crushed heart-shaped leaves/stems have strong garlic odor. Reproduce by seed.

Garlic mustard spreads into high quality woodlands upland and floodplain forests, not just into disturbed areas.

Invaded sites undergo a decline on native herbaceous cover within 10 years.

Garlic mustard alters habitat suitability for native insects and thereby birds and mammals.

This European exotic occurs now in 27 midwestern and northeastern states and in Canada.