

WISCONSIN WILDCARDS

ALIEN INVADERS



JAPANESE HOPS

Humulus japonicus

BASIC ID

Native hops has 3 lobes and short petioles, while this climbing annual vine (up to 35') generally has 5 lobes on opposite, rough leaves, and petioles (leaf stems) are as long or longer than the length of the leaves. Downward pointing hairs on the stem help the vine wind clockwise. Flowers appear in the leaf axils and have 5 green petals. Male flowers are upright spikes while female flowers hang down in clusters and bloom from mid to late summer.

FACTS

An ornamental native to eastern Asia, this plant prefers moist soils and can form dense stands along roadsides, fields, and stream banks.

MANAGEMENT

- Hand pull and bag before seeds ripen. WEAR GLOVES!
- Foliar spray before plant flowers
- Monitor for regrowth

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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