

# Invaders <sup>of</sup> Texas

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## Invasive Species Field ID



### *Ligustrum japonicum*

Thunb.

Family: Oleaceae (Olive Family)

Common Name(s): Japanese privet

Habit: Tree, Shrub

USDA Plants: [LIJA](#)



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**Description:** Evergreen to 20 feet (6 m) in height with spreading crowns, thick opposite leaves, conical clusters of white flowers in spring, and green to Purple-Black fruit in summer and winter.

### *Ligustrum sinense* Lour.

Synonym(s): *Ligustrum villosum*

Family: Oleaceae (Olive Family)

Common Name(s): Chinese privet, chinese privet, common chinese privet

Habit: Tree, Shrub

USDA Plants: [LISI](#)

**Description:** Semievergreen to evergreen, thicket-forming shrubs to 30 feet (9 m) in height that are multiple stemmed and leaning-to-arching with long leafy branches.





***Ligustrum quihoui*** Carr.  
Family: Oleaceae (Olive Family)  
Common Name(s): waxyleaf privet  
Habit: Shrub  
USDA Plants: [LIQU2](#)

***Ligustrum lucidum*** Ait. f.

Family: Oleaceae (Olive Family)  
Common Name(s): glossy privet, tree privet  
Habit: Tree, Shrub  
USDA Plants: [LILU2](#)

**Description:** Tree privet is a fast-growing evergreen tree approximately 25ft (8m.) to 40ft (14m.) in height with a 25ft (8m.) to 35ft (12m.) spread. It has a dense canopy of bending branches composed of glossy green leaves which have narrow, translucent margins, (Gilman & Watson, 1993). Leaves are dark green, with a paler green undersurface. Flowers are produced in large clusters and are small, cream-coloured and strongly scented (Environment B.O.P). After pollination by insects fruits ripen into bunches of small, oblong, 1 cm long, purplish black berries. Both leaves and fruit are poisonous to humans,



***Ligustrum vulgare*** L.

Family: Oleaceae (Olive Family)  
Common Name(s): European privet, wild privet  
Habit: Shrub  
USDA Plants: [LIVU](#)

**Description:** Semievergreen to evergreen, thicket-forming shrubs to 30 feet (9 m) in height that are multiple stemmed and leaning-to-arching with long leafy branches.

