

Dog Strangling Vine?

No, this vine doesn't *actually* strangle dogs, but it could invade or strangle your garden or your local park. It can even kill Monarch Butterflies and threaten the survival of local wildlife.



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What is it? A vine from Europe that is highly invasive.

Why should I care? It has the potential to invade your neighbourhood, your community, your county, your province. This can translate to time and money costs as well as serious environmental costs.

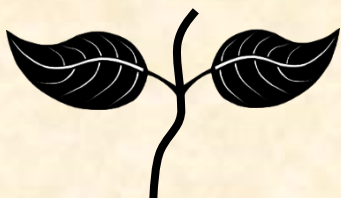
Where is it now? In Nova Scotia, it is only known from single streets in Wolfville, North Kentville, and Dartmouth. These patches are probably small enough that it can be successfully eradicated.

What can I do to help? Pick a street in this area, walk it, look for Dog Strangling Vine, and report any to iNaturalist or to alain.belliveau@acadiau.ca. If you don't find it, please indicate that your street has been checked and you did not observe it.

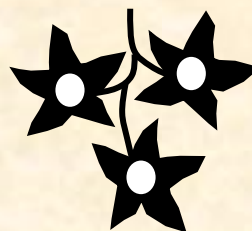
How do I identify Dog Strangling Vine? Using the following features:



It's a vine.



Its leaves are opposite each other along the stem.



Early summer flowers



Late summer pods

It either has small star-shaped flowers (purple, pink, maroon, or yellow-white) or green pods.

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