

# Buckthorn ALERT!

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Hello Neighbor,  
**Buckthorn** has been spotted  
in the immediate area and  
may have invaded your  
landscape. Please be on  
the look-out for this highly  
invasive\* plant.



Glossy Buckthorn

Above photo: Leslie J. Mehrhoff,  
University of Connecticut,  
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Common  
Buckthorn

Photo: discoverlife.org

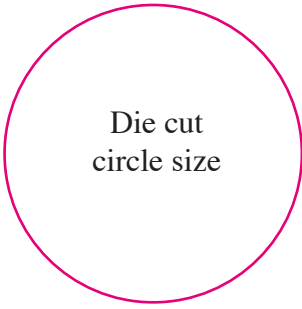
Buckthorns are  
tall understory  
shrubs or small  
trees with yellow  
inner bark.

**There are two species of  
Buckthorn—Glossy and  
Common.**



Photo: newenglandwild.org

\*An invasive plant is an alien  
(non-native) species whose  
introduction does or is  
likely to cause economic or  
environmental harm or harm to  
human health. This is a photo  
of a typical Glossy Buckthorn  
infestation.



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# GLOSSY AND COMMON BUCKTHORN

## Impacts:

- Creates dense thickets and out-competes native vegetation.
- Berries are very harmful to frogs and wildlife.
- Dries out wetlands.
- Host for a number of agricultural pests.

## Suggested Control:

- If not treated with herbicide, buckthorn will profusely resprout after cutting.
- Harvest, bag, and destroy berries to reduce contamination.

## CAUTION!

- Do not cut, mow or burn—this may stimulate plant growth.
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To learn more visit [www.misin.msu.edu](http://www.misin.msu.edu)



Using chemical treatments can be hazardous to people, pets, and landscapes. Read and follow the entire manufacturer's label for usage.

**For invasive plant treatment assistance contact invasive coordinator at 616.402.9608 or email [westmi-cisma@macd.org](mailto:westmi-cisma@macd.org)**

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