



LARGE KNOTWEEDS

Because of knotweeds extensive root system, once this weed is established it is difficult to control.

- Woody, upright **perennial** that spreads from long creeping roots and stem pieces.
- Found along roadsides, ditch banks, waste areas and pastures.
- Grows from 4 to 9 feet tall.
- Bamboo-like stems are green with red or purple spots.

➤ **JAPANESE KNOTWEED** (*Polygonum cuspidatum*)

- Small, greenish-white to cream colored drooping flower clusters appear at the end of stems and in leaf axils.

➤ **GIANT KNOTWEED** (*Polygonum sachalinense*)

- Distinguished by large heart-shaped leaves up to 12 inches long.

➤ **BOHEMIAN KNOTWEED** (*Polygonum bohemicum*)

- A hybrid of Japanese and giant knotweed.
- Greenish–white to cream upright flower clusters.



CONTROL METHODS

Chemical: Dicamba, imazapyr or glyphosate can be applied when the knotweeds are actively growing and have reached the bud to early flowering stage of growth.

Non- Chemical:

- Never transplant pieces of knotweed into your home landscape.
- Digging is a good option when the plant is small.
- Cutting it back to the ground at least **twice a month** during the growing season for several years may control it. It is best to remove, rake or carefully dry all knotweed vegetation you cut because stems or stem fragments can sprout creating new plants.

Want more information? Contact:

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