

GIVE INVASIVE SPECIES THE BRUSH OFF.

Shoes can carry the seeds of invasive plants like garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*). Please brush them off before entering and leaving this area.



Illustration: University of Wisconsin Extension

What's The Problem?

Garlic mustard outcompetes many native species for sunlight and nutrients.

- Non-native seed and plant parts are carried from one place to another on our shoes, vehicle tires, by the wind and flowing water.
- Garlic mustard is a non-native invasive plant—one of many that were accidentally or intentionally introduced to Minnesota.



Other Invasive Plants On The Move...

Spotted Knapweed
(*Centaurea stoebe*)



Spotted knapweed releases a toxin into the soil that prevents the growth of neighboring plants.

Common Tansy
(*Tanacetum vulgare*)



Tansy thrives in disturbed areas, roadsides and streambanks.

Wild Parsnip
(*Pastinaca sativa*)



Wild parsnip sap can cause burns when it contacts skin in the presence of sunlight (phytophotodermatitis).

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IN YOUR TRACKS.**

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Entering And Before Leaving
The Recreation Site**