

SOUTHERN INDIANA'S 10 MOST WANTED INVASIVES

INVASION OF FOREST COMMUNITIES AND EDGE AREAS;
CONSPIRACY TO DISPLACE NATIVE SPECIES

GARLIC MUSTARD



Aliases: garlic mustard, hedge garlic, sauce-alone, jack-by-the-hedge, poor man's mustard, jack-in-the-bush, garlic root, garlicwort, mustard root

DESCRIPTION

Entered U.S.: 1868

Place of Entry: Long Island, New York

Height: 0.7 to 1.0 meters

Flowering Period: April to May

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Habitat: Waste places and woods

Flowers: White

Leaves: Dark green

Seeds: Black

Odor: Garlic

Nationality: Northern Europe

Remarks: Seedlings emerge February to early March, and form basal rosettes by midsummer. In the spring of the plant's second year, the basal rosettes generate flower stalks. The plant dies after setting seed.

Scars and Marks: In the basal rosette stage, *Alliaria petiolata* can easily be confused with many other plants, but its strong garlic odor (in the spring and summer) is distinctive. Each plant has a slender white taproot with an "S" curve at the top.

CAUTION

Garlic mustard has already been observed throughout southern Indiana and is spreading quickly.

CONSIDERED ARMED WITH SEEDS AND EXTREMELY INVASIVE

If you have information on the location of this plant, please take action!

"REWARD"

We are offering a reward (the satisfaction of helping your environment) in exchange for help leading to the eradication of this Top Ten Most Wanted Invasive.