Know What You Grow

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Define me?

- **Native:** a plant that has grown and adapted to a particular region or ecosystem for hundreds or thousands of years (syn. Indigenous)

- **Exotic:** a plant that has been introduced by humans - intentionally or not - to a new location or ecosystem where it was not previously found. (syn. Non-native, introduced, translocated, ornamental)
Define me?

- **Naturalized plant:**
  - Exotic plant that can reproduce and maintain a population in an area where it is not native. Ex: *Digitalis purpurea* (Foxglove), *Eschscholzia californica* (California Poppy)

- **Invasive plant:**
  - *Exotic and naturalized*
  - *and* has *negative effects on our economy, environment, or health.*
  - Invasive species can spread rapidly to new areas and will often out-compete native species as there are no predators or diseases to keep them under control. (Invasive Species Council of BC)
Define me?

- **Weed**: a plant (native or exotic) that is not desired in the place that it is growing

- **Opportunistic Native Plant**: a native plant that thrives in variety of soil types, spreads quickly
  - Sometimes described as ‘invasive’ by landscapers and gardeners, when it should just be called ‘weedy’
Butterfly Bush

*Buddleia*

- Native to Asia
Oceanspray

Holodiscus discolor
Yellow Flag Iris

*Iris pseudacorus*

- Native to Eurasia

Invasive
Common Cattail
*Typha latifolia*

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Yellow Archangel (Lamium) 
*Lamiastrum galeobdolon*

- Native to Eurasia & N. Africa

Invasive
Redwood Sorrel
*Oxalis oregana*
English Ivy
*Hedera helix*

- Native to Europe

Invasive
Western Honeysuckle
*Lonicera ciliosa*
False Lily-of-the-Valley
*Maianthemum dilatatum*
Oxeye Daisy & Shasta Daisy
*Leucanthemum vulgare* &
*Leucanthemum × superbum*

- Native to Europe (Oxeye)
- Horticultural hybrid (Shasta)
Fleabane & Aster species
*Erigeron glabellus, Erigeron philadelphicus, Aster subspicatus, Achillea millefolium*
Thank you!

Questions?

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