Yosemite National Park



Top Ten Worst Plant Invaders in Yosemite

Invasive, non-native plants are species introduced from other parts of the world. These plants can rapidly spread and can have severe negative impacts on native plants and animals. The following species currently pose the greatest ecological threat to the ecosystems in Yosemite:

- 1. Centaurea solstitialis (yellow star-thistle)
- 2. Rubus discolor (Himalayan blackberry)
- 3. Centaurea maculosa (spotted knapweed)
- 4. Hypericum perforatum (klamathweed)
- 5. Lepidium latifolium (perennial pepperweed)
- 6. Bromus tectorum (cheatgrass)
- 7. Cirsium vulgare (bull thistle)
- 8. Leucanthemum vulgare (ox-eye daisy)
- 9. Robinia pseudoacacia (black locust)
- 10. Carduus pycnocephalus (Italian thistle)