

# Purple

# Loosestrife

## Where did it come from?

The Purple Loosestrife came from a wetland in Europe and in Asia. It was introduced in Northeastern U.S. on the 1800's.



## What are they doing here?

The Purple Loosestrife is growing and here for bee keeping. They are also taking up space here.



## Who are they hurting?

The Purple Loosestrife is hurting wildlife, farmers, and gardens. They are also hurting humans.

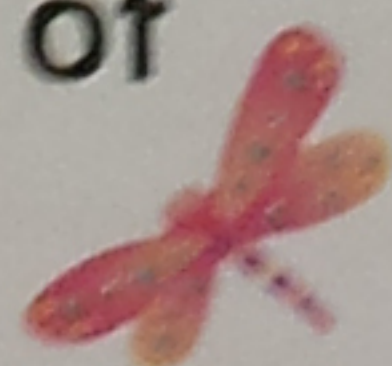


## How did it get here?

The Purple Loosestrife got transferred accidentally here in the ballast water, and settlers brought them in gardens. It spread over road sides, ditches, and canals.



## Can and How do we get rid of them?



We can remove aquatic plants, seeds, mud from equipment, clothing, and foot wear. If you ever see one pull it out of the ground and make sure the roots are all gone.

## What can we do to raise awareness?



I think that people could put flyers up, talk to people, put it on the news, or make posters. We can also raise awareness by showing people what it can do.