

THE BERMUDA BAY “DO NOT PLANT” LIST: This is a current list (as of October 15, 2023) of the “invasive” plants that can be controlled when planted in pots/planters, but they should not be planted in the ground because they represent an invasive threat to our Bermuda Bay Community. Also included are plants/trees that attract pests, are poisonous to pets and humans, and can damage plumbing/irrigation pipes, sidewalks, and foundations.

- **Asian Sword Fern**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nephrolepis_brownii



- **Bromeliads**



Habitat for insects, including mosquito larvae and roaches.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2832612/>

- **Mexican Petunia**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ruellia_simplex



- **Oyster Plant**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tradescantia_spathacea



- **Pathos Vine/Ivy**



Leaves and stems grow huge on trees and can climb 20+ feet up a tree. This beautiful vine has colorful heart-shaped foliage often grown in a hanging basket or up an upright support as an indoor or patio specimen. A wonderful plant when kept in its “cage” under cultivation, but once the pothos vine is released, it can change into an invasive. The leaves are poisonous to children, toddlers and babies if ingested.

- **Philodendron**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syngonium_podophyllum



- **Snake Plant**

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dracaena_trifasciata



- **Sprenger's Asparagus Fern**



Another Asparagus Fern Variety with Sharp Thorns



<https://www.tcpalm.com/story/life/columnists/carol-cloud-bailey/2018/09/02/asparagus-fern-thug-florida-landscapes-and-difficult-remove/1047344002/>

- **Bamboo**

Invasive and spreading types grow rapidly...even the "clumping" variety spreads, but not as fast!

<https://www.growingagreenerworld.com/green-fences-make-good-neighbors-unless-its-bamboo/>

<https://bambubatu.com/the-most-invasive-varieties-of-bamboo/>



ANY PLANTS WITH THORNS. AND CACTI THAT ARE NOT INVASIVE, BUT DANGEROUS WHEN PLANTED NEAR WALKWAYS:

- **Agave/Century Plants**



- **Various Cacti (a few are pictured here)**



PLANTS THAT ATTRACT CRITTERS THAT CAN BECOME PESTS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

- **Fruit/Citrus Trees**

PLANTS THAT ARE POISONOUS/TOXIC TO PETS AND HUMANS:

- Oleander

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/8619248/>



POTENTIALLY DESTRUCTIVE PLANTS/TREES: These plants/trees will quickly grow into large trees when planted outside. They have invasive and destructive root systems that can severely damage plumbing, sidewalks, and foundations.

- Rubber Tree



- Schefflera

