



*“We grow the weeds”
for teaching and research*

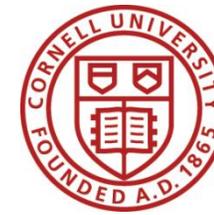
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*“But make no mistake:
the weeds will win:
nature bats last.”
- Robert M. Pyle*



CORNELL WEED TEACHING GARDEN

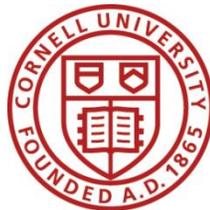
*A teaching and research garden
located at Caldwell Field
behind Muenscher Greenhouses*



*“What is a weed?
a plant whose virtues have
not yet been discovered.”
Ralph Waldo Emerson*



“Weeds are Us”



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“Sweet flowers are slow
and weeds make haste”
- *William Shakespeare*

PURPOSE/HISTORY

The Cornell Weed Science Teaching Garden was established in 2008 to enhance the educational experience of Cornell students and visitors for those tenacious plants we call ‘weeds’!

The Weed Garden includes over 125 different agricultural and invasive weed species including poisonous plants from more than 30 plant families common to the North-eastern U.S. and southern Canada.

Easy to read labels provide the scientific and common names of each plant as well as the family and growth habit (e.g. annuals, perennials).

Additional Resources

Weeds of the Northeast, Uva et al., Cornell Univ. Press (1997)
Wild Urban Plants of the Northeast, Del Tredici, Cornell Univ. Press (2010)



“Give a weed an inch
and it will take a yard.”
- *Author Unknown*

INTRODUCTION

What is a weed? Weeds are plants out of place; plants that interfere with the activities of humans. They may be toxic to humans or livestock, cause allergies, harbor crop diseases, or (most importantly) compete with crops reducing yields.

However, weeds can also be beneficial. They can reduce erosion and add organic matter to soil, and can provide food and cover for wildlife.

Weeds comprise a vast diversity of growth forms, reproductive and survival strategies.

You will see many of these highly diverse plants at the Cornell Weed Garden.

Enjoy your visit!

“Weeds are flowers too,
once you get to know them”
*A.A. Milne, Eeyore from
Winnie the Pooh*



“Weeds Never Die”
- *Danish Proverb*

DIRECTIONS TO THE GARDEN

Drive south/east on Tower Road, past Veterinary College; turn left onto Campus Road and go to Stop sign; turn left onto Caldwell Road; right onto Maize Drive and take immediate left. Weed Garden is behind Muenscher Lab/Greenhouses on left.

