

English Ivy (*Hedera helix*)



English Ivy is a smothering invasive evergreen vine which excludes other vegetation. It is very detrimental to trees as it can shade out deciduous foliage eventually killing mature trees within 10 years. The weight of the vines in trees can also cause them to blow over in wind storms.

To remove English Ivy from trees it is recommended to cut all vines around the base of the tree and let them wither and die. Trying to pull the live ivy from trees can result in damage to the trees bark.