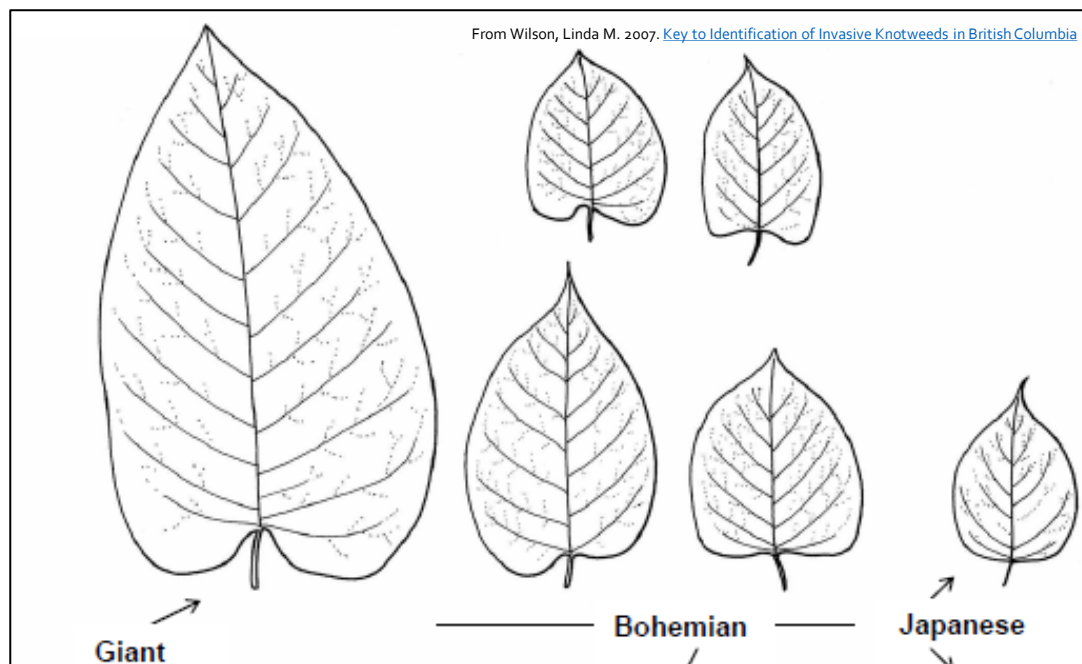


Perennial knotweed comparison

Perennial knotweeds (*Fallopia spp.*) have tall, arching stems that resemble bamboo. The three species in Wisconsin look most like each other and are not often confused with other species. Bohemian knotweed is a hybrid of Japanese knotweed and giant knotweed, so it has characteristics that are intermediary between the other two species.



Species	Stem	Leaves
Japanese knotweed (<i>Fallopia japonica</i>)	Multiple branches; up to 10 ft tall	4-6" long; squared off leaf base
Giant knotweed (<i>Fallopia sachalinensis</i>)	Few or no branches; 10-20+ ft tall	6-14" long; heart-shaped base
Bohemian knotweed (<i>Fallopia x bohemicum</i>)	Few to several branches; 6-10 ft tall	4-6+" long; base intermediate between squared off and heart-shaped