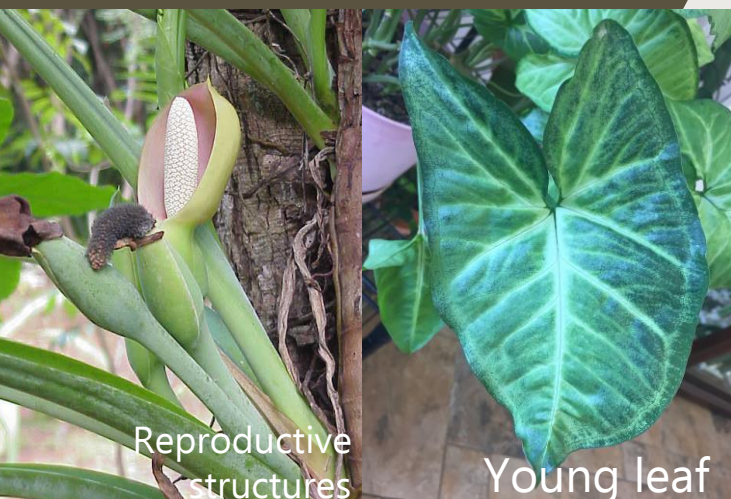


# Arrowhead Vine

*Syngonium  
podophyllum*



Adult Leaves



Reproductive  
structures

Young leaf

## What is arrowhead vine?

[Arrowhead vine](#) is a climbing air plant native to Central and South America. It is often found in the houseplant trade and likely escaped from this practice. Young plants have arrow-shaped leaves while mature plants have compound leaves with 3-12 leaflets.

## Why should we manage it?

Arrowhead vine is a strong climber with thick stems and an extensive root system. It creates a dense, matted groundcover that outcompetes native vegetation and can climb trees as well. It has also been shown to pose a threat to several endangered fern species (learn more [here](#)). It is common in southern peninsular Florida, but has been spotted as far north as Alachua and Duval counties.

*Being able to quickly identify an exotic species in an area and eradicate it before it spreads is one of the most efficient actions that we can do to reduce future treatment costs and impacts to native ecosystems.*

## How can you help?

- Learn more about arrowhead vine at this [UF/IFAS link](#) and this [EDIS publication](#)
- [EDDMapS](#) is available to help with species identification and to [report invasive sightings!](#)
- Join your local [CISMA](#) and follow [FISP](#) for updates.
- Attend local plant classes and spread the word about EDRR!
- [Sign up for alerts on EDDMapS!](#)

