

Invasive Species - 60-Second - Captioned for the Visually Impaired

MUSIC: "HINTERLAND WHO'S WHO" THEME

ANNOUNCER: (V.O.):

Look closer and you'll see a real-life alien invader. It's not from outer space, but the Asian long-horned beetle is an alien all the same.

[Different types of insects and flowers with their names shown on the screen]

In fact, invasive alien species are all around us. Coming from other parts of the world, they're called invasive because they upset the balance of nature.

They include zebra mussels, which clog up waterways, and purple loosestrife, which chokes out other plants. Native species don't know how to compete with these invaders, and end up being overwhelmed.

[Host walking in a greenhouse]

Canada and other countries are trying to stop that from happening, and you can help by doing simple things like making sure you know what you're planting in your garden. And that's just a start.

[Host walking in a greenhouse picking up a yellow flower]

When you go to hww.ca, you'll learn more about invasive species, and get ideas on how to help protect Canada's wildlife. That's hww.ca.