**Ardisia crenata**

**CORAL ARDISIA**

**Myrsinaceae**

Common Synonyms: none

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**FLEPPC Category:** 1

**FDACS Listed Noxious Weed:** Yes

**IFAS Assessment**

- North: PROHIBITED
- Central: PROHIBITED
- South: PROHIBITED

**USDA Hardiness Zone:** 8a-9b

**Growth Habit:** Shrub

**Origin:** Japan to northern India

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**Description:** Evergreen, multistemmed, subshrub growing to 1.8 m tall. Leaves alternate, dark green, waxy with distinctive scalloped margins. Flowers white to pink, stalked in axillary clusters. Fruits a bright red, persistent, round, drupe to 8 mm diameter.

**Habitat:** moist hammocks

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**Florida Introduction Date:** early 1900s

**Control Methods:**

Chemical: Foliar (3% trichlopyr amine + 1% ammonium salt of Imazapic, or 5% trichlopyr ester), basal bark (10% trichlopyr ester). [IFAS].

**Useful Resources:**


**Comments:** Seeds dispersed by birds and mammals.