

**1ST ANNUAL
MASTER GARDENERS OF
JOHNSON COUNTY MISSOURI**

**SPRING
WORKSHOP**

**SATURDAY
MAY 5, 2018**

**9:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.
REGISTRATION BEGINS
AT 8:30 A.M.**

COST: \$5.00

**GROVER PARK
BAPTIST CHURCH**
*409 N. Mitchell St.
Warrensburg, MO 64093*

**IDENTIFYING &
MANAGING
THE
JAPANESE
BEETLE**



The Japanese Beetle



The **Japanese beetle** (*Popillia japonica*) is a common species of beetle. It is about 15 mm (0.6 in) long and 10 mm (0.4 in) wide, with iridescent copper-colored elytra and green thorax and head. It is not very destructive in Japan, where it is controlled by natural predators, but in North America, it is a noted pest of about 200 species of plants including rose bushes, grapes, hops, canna, myrtles, birch trees, linden trees, and others.

As the name suggests, the Japanese beetle is native to Japan. The first written evidence of the insect appearing within the United States was in 1916 in a nursery near Riverton, New Jersey.¹ As of 2015, only nine western US states were considered free of Japanese beetles. Beetles have been detected in airports on the west coast of the United States since the 1940s, but it was not until 2016 that populations were found in suburban and agricultural areas outside of Portland, Oregon.

We will learn more about this pest and the different ways to manage them.

- Gardens Maintained by
Master Gardeners of
Johnson County Missouri
- ★ Business Hwy. 50 Triangle
 - ★ Blind Boone Park
 - ★ Historic Courthouse Corner
 - ★ Zack's Garden
 - ★ Library Planters
 - ★ Vest Triangle
 - ★ Lion's Lake
 - ★ Community Rose Garden

Advanced registration appreciated.
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Address: _____

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