

## 2015 March *Guess that Plant*



*Mazus pumilus* (Burm. f.) Steenis, Japanese Mazus

The *March Guess that Plant* is one of the more obscure non-native figworts growing in New Jersey. It is a diminutive plant, growing no higher than a few inches and occupies lawns, roadsides, nurseries and other maintained landscapes. It occupies both wet and mesic soils, wherever the opportunity exists where it becomes a dense colonial growing species.

USDA Plants Database shows New Jersey's population in Mercer, Morris, Essex, Bergen, Passaic and Union counties. Recent collections now place the plant in western Burlington County. Watch for this plant as the weather warms that stimulates flowering in these smaller species.

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