periwinkles (*Vinca major, V. minor*)

- Bigleaf and common periwinkles are shade tolerant, evergreen to semi-evergreen trailing vine ground covers.
- Leaves are opposite, dark green or variegated.
- Showy, lilac, pin-wheel shaped flowers.
- Forms a dense, difficult to control ground cover.
- Spread vegetatively by rooting at nodes.
- Invades urban areas, old home sites, roadsides, forest edges and open forests.


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