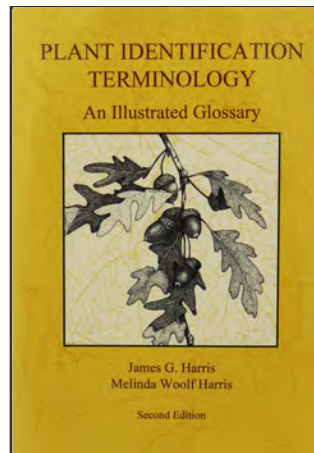


NEWSLETTER

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*Botanical Terms*

I frequently refer to Plant Identification Terminology by James G. Harris and Melinda Woolf Harris. The definitions are clear and they are often accompanied by an illustration. The back portion of the book is also useful because the authors have created sections which define terms based on a category of usage. For example, there are sections on terminology for roots, for stems (parts and forms), for surfaces, for leaves (bases, apices, shapes, etc.), for inflorescences and flowers, and for fruits.

Iris Wildflower



Is it "crested dwarf" or is it "dwarf crested" iris? When I first found this lovely wildflower, the field guides I owned stated the common name for *Iris cristata* was Crested dwarf iris. Field guides with a more recent copyright date -- along with Internet resources -- use the common name Dwarf crested iris. Whichever way you prefer to name its two prominent features, "crested" and "dwarf," here's a [plant portrait video showing the wildflower](#) through one year of growth.

Mystery Plant Confirmed



Walter Reeves wrote the correct full answer about [Mystery Plant 068](#). It's Beechdrops (*Epifagus virginiana*), which is a root parasite, as noted by another commenter.

Mystery Plant

What is the name of this plant? ([There are more images on the website.](#))





When you can identify this plant, provide your response at IdentifyThatPlant.com as a comment for the blog entry called [Mystery Plant 069](#). Please identify the plant by both its common name and its scientific name. The answer will be confirmed in the next newsletter.

Confidently master the skill of correct plant identification

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