English ivy
*Hedera helix* L.

**Life cycle**
Climbing, evergreen perennial vine.

**Leaves**
Alternate, evergreen leaves are dark green, leathery and waxy with white veins. Leaves may be unlobed to three- to five-lobed, depending on the maturity of the plant.

**Stems**
High climbing, woody vines are supported by aerial roots. Stems may be extremely long and reach up to 1 foot in diameter on old plants.
Flowers and fruit
White to green flowers are small and inconspicuous. Berrylike fruit are black and contain few seeds. The flowers and fruit are rarely seen.

Reproduction
Seeds and root sprouts.

English ivy climbing a tree.

English ivy creeping stem.