

## Common Invasive Plant Identification

**Common Name:** Porcelain-berry

**Scientific Name:** *Ampelopsis brevipedunculata*

**Identification:** Porcelain-berry is a deciduous vine that climbs into tree crowns. The vines grow in a zig-zag grape-like manner and climb up trees using tendrils. The leaves are alternate with a heart-shaped base and 3 to 5 palmate lobes. Small, green-white flowers appear in June to August. Berries mature from September to October.



**Common Name:** Oriental Bittersweet

**Scientific Name:** *Celastrus orbiculatus*

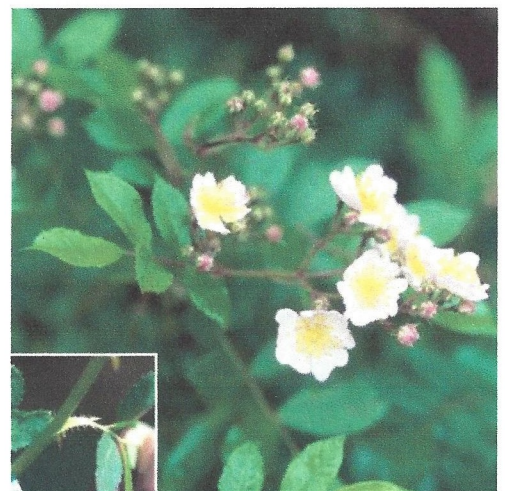
**Identification:** Oriental Bittersweet is a deciduous woody vine that may climb 60 feet into tree crowns. It tends to wrap around the trunks of trees, causing mutated growth if the tree is still young. The leaves are alternate with round or tapered tips. The vine may reach a thickness of 4 inches in diameter. Inconspicuous orange-yellow flowers appear in May. Clusters of small berries mature from August to January.



**Common Name:** Multiflora Rose

**Scientific Name:** *Rosa multiflora*

**Identification:** Multiflora Rose is a deciduous rose that may reach 10 feet in height. Multiflora Rose has alternate, odd-pinnate compound leaves (see photo) with straight thorns on long branching stems. When fully mature, the bark is dark brown with streaks of light brown or gray, but when the plant is younger the branches are bright green. Many small, white, and fragrant flowers appear in April to June. Spherical, red rose hips mature from July to December.



**Common Name:** Poison Ivy

**Scientific Name:** *Toxicodendron radicans*

**Identification:**

\* Always be on the look-out for poison ivy! It is identifiable by its three leaves and the reddish fuzz on the vine. It generally clings to tree trunks and grows around the base. The branches will grow out from a tree at a 90 degree angle. You can still have a reaction if the leaves have fallen off so be careful in Fall and Winter!

