

Ocean Spray

Holodiscus discolor Rose Family (*Rosaceae*)

General Description: Large erect shrub growing up to 15ft. Found in thickets along stream banks and wet areas as well as exposed upland areas.

Key Characteristics: Alternate arrangement, buds on new growth are pointed & extremely small about 2 to 3 mm.

Confused With: Spirea, but note different twig color of spirea. It is more tawny compared with ocean spray's dull brown.

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