

## Bald-Hip Rose

*Rosa gymnocarpa* Rose Family (*Rosaceae*)

**General Description:** 3 to 6 ft. tall upright shrub growing individually or in small groups. Highly adaptable, but usually found in open woodland in partial shade. Thin bark, light green to burgundy on twigs, older bark tan to grayish.

**Key Characteristics:** Alternate arrangement; needle-like prickles more prominent at base; small pink buds; no sepals on the small oval, red to orange fruits.

**Confused With:** Other roses, see key characteristics. Also confused with salmonberry which has a more distinctly orange-colored stem.

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