



Salmonberry

Rubus spectabilis

Rose Family (*Rosaceae*)

General Description: Medium sized shrub, grows in thickets, up to 8ft tall. Bark is tan to gold, usually peeling. Prickles break off easily.

Key Characteristics: Alternate, pointed buds, shredded plant material below new buds; crescent-shaped leaf scar with three bundle scars; grows in a zig-zag pattern, changing directions at each node.

Confused With: Juvenile easily confused for thimbleberry. However, bark color and bud pubescence is different. Blackberry is also easily confused, but blackberry thorns are stiff in comparison and has different colored bark.

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