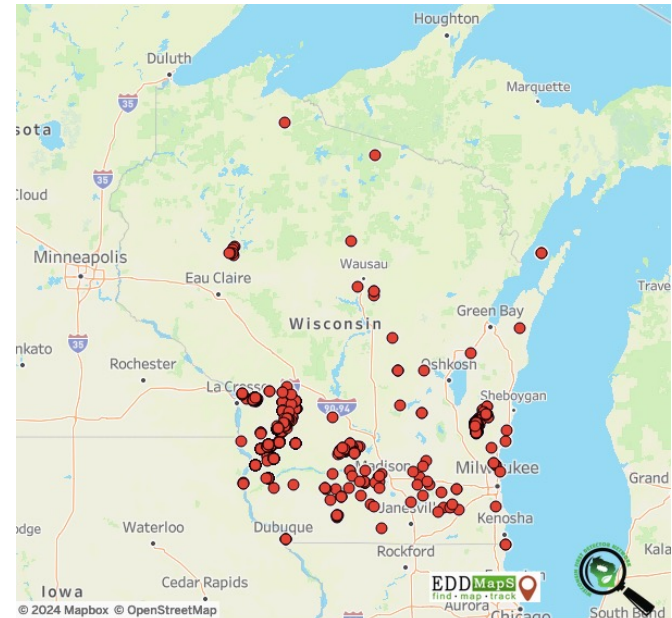




Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*)



- Thorny shrub with long, arching branches; somewhat climbing
- Habitats it invades:
 - Forests
 - Grasslands
 - Roadsides
- Status
 - Wisconsin: Restricted
 - Regulated in: IN, MN, OH, IL, IA





Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*)

Leaves alternate, pinnately compound

- 2–4" long, composed of 5-11 leaflets
- Leaflets have sharp teeth on the margins
- Stems have large, broad-based prickles
- Stipules are fringed



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Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*)

Flower/fruit



- Flowers $\frac{3}{4}$ -1" wide with white petals and yellow stamens; very fragrant
- Female parts of the flower are fused into a little column
- Flowers borne in loose, upright clusters with spreading branches; June
- Fruit is red and berry-like.





Multiflora rose look alike

Multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*) looks like other rose species, which all have pinnately compound leaves with stipules, toothed leaflets, and 5-petaled flowers.

Multiflora rose is differentiated from other rose species by its **fringed stipules** at the base of leaves and **numerous, white flowers** (native roses have pink flowers). Additionally, multiflora rose's **prickles are large and noticeably curved downward**; prickles on other species are generally smaller and stick straight out from the plant or are only slightly curved.



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Multiflora rose leaf with fringed stipules (above), compared to solid, wing-like stipules of other rose species (below)



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Multiflora rose has large, downward curved thorns (above) that are distinct compared to stems of other rose species (other photos)



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