

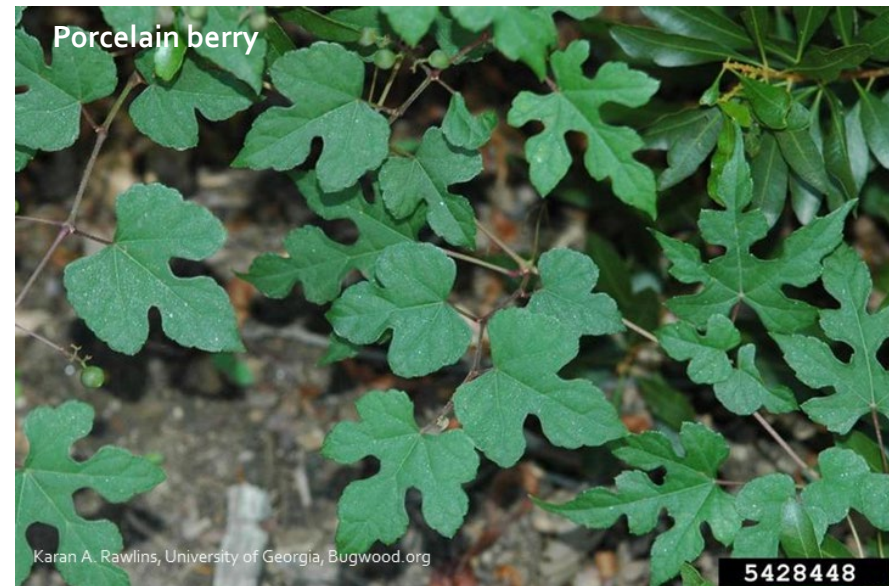
# Woody Vines

## SUMMARY

These species are **perennial** vines that grow **woody** or **semi-woody stems**. Species are differentiated based on number, size, and position of leaves, as well as flower and fruit characteristics.

## LOOK ALIKES

Some native and horticultural vines also have woody stems. Species are differentiated based on the characteristics listed above.



Scientific Name	Common Name	NR 40
<i>Akebia quinata</i>	Five-leaf chocolate vine	P
<i>Ampelopsis brevipedunculata</i>	Porcelain berry	P
<i>Celastrus loeseneri</i>	Asian loeseneri bittersweet	P
<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	Oriental bittersweet	R
<i>Pueraria montana</i>	Kudzu	P
<i>Wisteria floribunda</i>	Japanese wisteria	P
<i>Wisteria sinensis</i>	Chinese wisteria	P

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<i>Akebia quinata</i>	Five-leaf chocolate vine	Brown, small round lenticels	Palmately compound, 5 oval toothless leaflets, prominent midvein, notched tip, dark green above, grey-green below	Fragrant, small, purple-violet, 5-petaled flowers; early-mid spring	Sausage-shaped violet pods, up to 4" long,
<i>Ampelopsis brevipedunculata</i>	Porcelain berry	Brown ridged/furrowed bark, white lenticels; branched tendrils; white pith	Alternate; variable shape from heart to palmately lobed; coarse teeth	Clusters of small green-white flowers; mid-summer	Clusters of shiny fruits, pink to purple to blue; white/grey speckles; white flesh
<i>Celastrus loeseneri</i> + <i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	Asian loeseneri bittersweet + Oriental bittersweet	Branches grey-brown to brown, white lenticels; older bark roughly textured	Alternate; 2-5" long, 1 ½ - 3" wide; rounded teeth; variable shape from oval with rounded end or abrupt pointed tip	Clusters of 3-7 green to yellow ¼-1/3" flowers in leaf axils; May – June	Each flower develops to 1/3" round, 3-parted fruit with casing that turns yellow in late summer + splits to reveal bright red fruit
<i>Pueraria montana</i>	Kudzu	Semi-woody; yellow-green stems w/ golden/silver hairs	Alternate, compound, 3 leaflets (usually lobed), up to 5 ½" long; hairy underneath	Clusters of ½" fragrant purple flowers in leaf axils; June – Sept.	Clusters of flat, brown, 3" long golden-haired pods
<i>Wisteria floribunda</i>	Japanese wisteria	Smooth, light grey to white bark; clockwise twining; stems up to 10" diameter	Alternate, pinnately compound, up to 12" long; 13-19 leaflets tapered at tip with slightly wavy edges	9-20" dangling clusters of fragrant pea-like lavender to blue-violet flowers; spring	4-6" long velvety brownish to gold seed pods hold 1-8 round, flat, brown seeds
<i>Wisteria sinensis</i>	Chinese wisteria	Smooth, grey-brown bark; counter-clockwise twining; stems up to 10" diameter	Alternate, pinnately compound; 7-13 leaflets tapered at tip with wavy edges; leaflets 3" long	6-12" dangling clusters of fragrant pea-like lavender, purple, or white flowers; spring	6" long flattened, hairy seed pods