Multiflora rose look alikes



Multiflora rose (Rosa multiflora) looks like other members of the Rosa genus, which all have pinnately compound leaves with stipules and 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 flowers**. Additionally, multiflora rose's **thorns are large and noticeably curved downward**; thorns on other species are generally smaller and stick straight out from the plant or are only slightly curved.



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





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



