



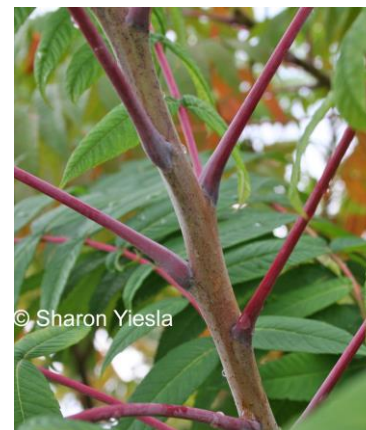
Smooth sumac is a dioecious plant. Male flowers are seen here (left), but both genders are small, greenish-yellow flowers with 5 petals. The flowers are numerous and held in large terminal panicles (right).

The fruit is a red, pubescent drupe. They are held in panicles and persist into winter.



The alternate, compound leaves have coarsely serrated margins. Leaves can be up to a foot long with 15 to 25 leaflets. The rachis is reddish.

The stout stems are green, maturing to red, and often have a glaucous coating. Buds are densely pubescent and stick out from the stem. The leaf scar almost entirely surrounds the bud. There is no true terminal bud.



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*Rhus glabra*

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Smooth sumac is a colony forming shrub.



Fall color can be variable and can be a mix of orange, red, green and yellow.

