

Greenbriar



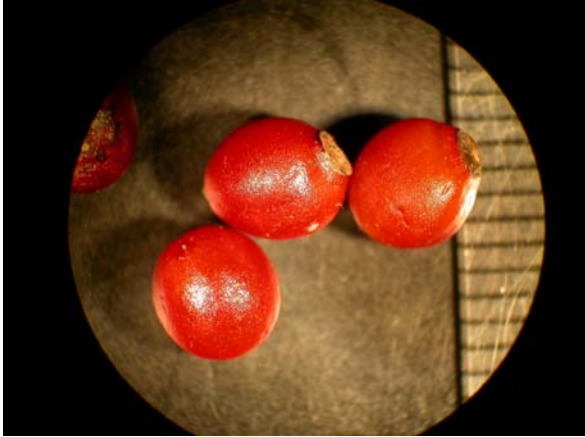
There are at least seven species of greenbriar (also called catbriar by some) in Missouri. Several have prickles on their stems, while others do not.



Smilax spp. has a vining growth habit forming dense thickets. Some species of *Smilax* are found throughout Missouri.



Prickles along the main stem.



Seed of three *Smilax* species. From left: *S. bona-nox*, *S. herbacea* and *S. hispida*.

Life cycle: perennial.