

# Toxicodendron

"The poisoned weed  
is much in shape  
like our English Ivy, but  
being but touched, causeth  
redness, itching, and lastly blisters,  
the which howsoever after awhile  
passe away of themselves without  
further harm, yet because for the  
time they are somewhat painfull,  
it has got it selfe an ill name,  
though questionlesse of  
no ill nature."

-Capt. John Smith

# LEAVES OF THREE

Blackberry, raspberry, and relatives - grow on strong, arching canes. May have 3-7 leaflets per stem. Have thorns.

# WHO CAN IT BE?

Kudzu and related climbing legumes - grow by twining tendrils, not hairy roots

Aromatic sumac - Very similar to Poison ivy. Large shrub. don't risk if not sure.

Trillium + relatives - exactly 3 leaflets per stem. Leaflets are v. close to stem, all leaflets identical, all parts in 3s.

Box elder - tree-like. 3-7 leaflets. Leaves grow directly opposite on branches, not alternating.

Strawberry - leaves have neat serrations, never lobed. Grows on runners, does not climb

Clover

Hepatica - Leaves are lobed but joined

