

Sharp-tooth buckthorn

Rhamnus arguta

Description

The plant has become naturalized in Indiana.

Habit

Shrub or small tree growing 2-3 m. in height.

Leaves

Deciduous, usually opposite - subopposite, sometimes alternate, fascicled on short shoots, separating with age; petiole 10-28 mm.; green on lower surface, darker green on upper surface; ovate, oblong-ovate or ovate-cordate, 2.5-6 cm., spinulose/serrate margins.

Stems

Unbranched, rarely branched with weak thorns.

Flowers

Solitary, Pedicels 10-24 mm., 4 sepals and 4 petals.

Fruits and Seeds

Drupes black in color, globose to obovoid-globose, 7-10 mm..



**Habitat**

Native to Asia. Found in disturbed sites.

Reproduction

By seed.

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