

Himalayan Blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus*)



Himalayan blackberry is an evergreen shrub growing to a total height of 3 meters. It is most prevalent in south-western BC, and prefers disturbed sites along roadsides and riparian areas. Himalayan blackberry outcompetes growing, shade-intolerant vegetation such as garry oak. It forms large, dense thickets that prevent the movement of larger animals. It also decreases bank stability by preventing growth of deep-rooted native shrubs.