

## Blackberry - *Rubus fruticosus* agg.

**Form:** Scrambling prickly shrub 1-3m tall, spreading by suckers and arching canes to form dense patches.

**Leaves:** Hooked, prickly, 3-5 separate toothed leaflets 3-8cm long, downy grey below..

**Flowers:** Summer. 5 white to pink petals, 2-3cm across, in clusters at the ends of stems.

**Fruits:** Autumn. Tight clusters of small green fruits forming berries, turning red then black, edible.

**Impacts:** Forms dense prickly patches preventing entry, conspicuous exotic.  
Class 3 Declared Plant (June 2010). Fruits are edible.

**Control:** Cut back then dig out including suckers. Spot spray - see DPI Fact Sheet for current herbicide recommendations.

**Ongoing management:** Check area every second year, cut back and dig out or spot spray regrowth.



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