

COMMON NAME:
SQUAWBUSH

SCIENTIFIC NAME:
RHUS TRILOBATA

ALSO CALLED: SKUNKBUSH, STINKBUSH, AROMATIC SUMAC, LEMONADE SUMAC, AND LEMONADE BUSH

FLOWER COLOR: YELLOW

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT: MINIATURE CLUMPS SMALL FLOWERS

FLOWERING TIME: MARCH TO MAY

LEAVES: THREE LOBED TO NEAR OVAL

OBSERVABLE FRUIT: REDDISH ORANGE BERRIES ABOUT 1/2"

NORMAL SIZE: 4' TO 10'

EDIBLE: NOTABLY USED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR LEMONS IN MAKING A BEVERAGE

NORMAL ELEVATION: 2500' TO 5000'

HABITATION: DEPRESSED AREAS NEAR CREEKS LOWER THAN THE PINE TREES AND DITCHES

ABUNDANCE: COMMON IN LARGE AREAS

NOTABLE DETAILS: BUSH WITH THREE LOBED LEAVES AND VERY DISTINCTIVE RED ORANGE FRUITS THAT EXUDES STICKY OIL

SPECIAL INTEREST: THE PLANTS FRUIT EXUDES A STICKY, OILISH, AND TART TASTING JUICE THAT CAN BE USED FOR FLAVORING OF SOME FOODS AND DRINKS