



Rubus probus – family: ROSACEAE

WILD RASPBERRY

Scrambling, thicket forming plant
Creamy-white flowers
Large red edible berries

Cultivation: A hardy plant in a sunny position; requires adequate water and well drained soils to perform well.



It responds well to pruning so it can be kept to manageable proportions if regularly maintained. *Rubus probus* is a large shrub with a scrambling habit and is a rampant grower with prickly canes - if left unchecked, it can form impenetrable thickets. The leaves are bright green and pinnate in form. They are often known as brambles because of the rambling, prickly nature of the arching stems of some species.

The best known members of the genus are probably the blackberry, raspberry, loganberry and youngberry. The large bright red fruits are 10 - 30 mm in diameter and form in clusters shortly after flowering. The fruit has a sharp berry-raspberry flavour, stronger than exotic raspberries. It is found in Eastern Queensland in tropical forests and rainforests, also occurs in New Guinea.

