

THE MOST COMMON BERRIES OF CAPE PERPETUA CAMPGROUND SIUSLAW NATIONAL FOREST, OREGON





Himalayan Blackberry (thorny vine or bush, non-native, productive late summer, edible delicious)



Salmonberry (bush, ripe May to July, edible and tasty when salmon to reddish color)



Thimbleberry (bush, large leaves, soft when ripe, fall off easy, edible, sweet & tangy)



Red Elderberry (tree or bush, not edible for humans but birds love them, abundant in campground)



Salal (bush, edible, sweet, not many in campground but abundant on trails)



Black Twinberry (bush, not edible for humans)

Coast Strawberry (edible, delicious)



Red Huckleberry (bush, edible, tasty)

This will help you recognize some common berries you may see in the Campground. You can download it free by going to *http://www.pamperingcampers.com/cape\_perpetua\_campground.html* There are more species to find and you can study those using books available at the Visitor Center. A useful on-line reference is "A Field Guide to the Lowland Northwest" by *Rob Sandelin* at *http://share3.esd105.wednet.edu/rsandelin/Fieldguide/Fieldguide.htm* 

> Scientific names: Himalayan Blackberry (*Rubus bifrons*) Salmonberry (*Rubus spectabilis*) Thimbleberry (*Rubus parviflorus*)

Red Elderberry (Sambucus racemosa) (mildly poisonous, bitter, will give you the runs) Salal (Gaultheria shallon)

Black Twinberry (Lonicera involucrata) (unpalatable, bitter, birds like them) Coast Strawberry (Fragaria chiloensis) (herbaceous ground cover, tiny berries, a rare treat) Red Huckleberry (Vaccinium parvifolium)

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