Oriental bittersweet  (*Celastrus orbiculatus*)

- Deciduous, twining, woody vine introduced from Asia as an ornamental.
- Alternate leaves with fine-toothed margin, long tapering tip when young, round-tipped when mature.
- Showy fruit, green turning tan, then opening to expose bright red interior.
- Can form extensive infestations.
- Spread through aggressive growth of vines which root at nodes and prolific bird-dispersed seed
- Invades urban areas, roadsides, forest edges and forests.