Sunjoy® Tangelo Japanese Barberry

Berberis thunbergii 'O'Byrne'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A standout shrub producing bright orange-red new growth that develops a distinctive chartreuse margin as the season progresses; very showy, great as a color contrast in the landscape; plant on slopes, in beds, or as a border

Ornamental Features

Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental globe-shaped form. It has attractive scarlet foliage edged in chartreuse with hints of orange which emerges orange in spring. The small oval leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of orange, red and burgundy in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spiny

Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry
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Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry foliage
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



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Planting & Growing

Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Sunjoy Tangelo Japanese Barberry makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.