



Oregon Grape

Mahonia aquifolium, *M. pinnata*, *M. repens* also known as *Berberis aquifolium*



Erect medium to large (to 6' high) evergreen shrub with dark green spiny leaves bronzy when new and turning red or purple in fall. Small yellow blooms in early spring followed by edible blue-black fruit. Has year round interest. Excellent understory plant but can handle full sun too.

Suggested species/varieties: 'Compacta' (lower and wider growing); 'Golden Abundance'

Other: Can take any soil. Deer resistant. Prefers shade in hottest climates. Attracts birds. Good for large containers.



Outstanding Plants for Alameda County
Mahonia aquifolium.

More Information

<http://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/details.aspx?&plant=3>

<http://www.laspilitas.com/plants/420.htm>

<http://www.elkhornnursery.com/default.aspx?pid=2989aedb-2f5a-41ec-9c05-61c5ebfda0e9&PlantId=22073>