

Botanical Name: Mahonia 'Golden Abundance'

Common Name: Golden Abundance Mahonia

Type of Plant: dicot: shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape an upright, clumping plant, with numerous erect basal stems and spreading branches forming a full round canopy

Height 4' - 8' Spread equal or more Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun near coast; prefers partial shade inland

Soil thrives in heavy, rich soils; avoid high alkaline sites

Hardiness hardy (zones 4-24): prefers warm marine-climate habitats

Morphology:

Leaves pinnately compound, alternate; leaves 6" - 10" long, with 7-9 ovate-roundish leaflets, each with 5-10 slender spiny teeth on the margins; dark green, mostly flat

Flowers bright yellow, in large terminal clusters; February - May

Fruit a berry: small, oval, deep purple with a whitish bloom

Propagation: hardwood cuttings

Usage: a large accent shrub for its profuse display of yellow

flowers and handsome holly-like foliage; barrier or background plantings;

good for slopes

Landscape Care:

Watering periodic deep soakings; can tolerate considerable drought if given partial shade

Fertilizing as needed

Pruning selectively head back after blooming to control size; little is required

Pests/Diseases relatively free; adapts well to most garden environments; resistant to oak root fungus

Special Conditions fruit attracts many birds

Origin: hybrid Family: Berberidaceae