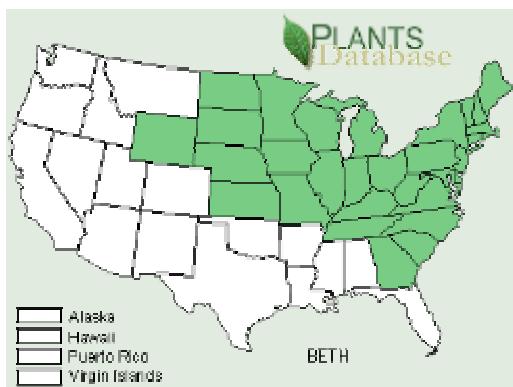


Berberis thunbergii

Japanese barberry BETH 8002



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Voucher specimen not needed in NC.

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Form: Deciduous shrub growing 0.5-2 m. Branches are deeply grooved, brown, with unbranched spines (sometimes with 2 small side branches). Inner bark and wood yellow in color.

Leaves: Entire (toothed in most other species), mostly oval but tapering to petiole; axillary clusters of leaves; ranging in color from green to bluish-green to dark reddish purple.

Flowers/fruits: Small axillary clusters or solitary, pale yellow in color. Flowers in mid-April to May. Fruits are berries, bright red and about 1 cm long; often persist through winter.

Habitat: Closed canopy forests, open woodlands, wetlands, pastures, meadows and wastelands.

Notes

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