



**Sunjoy Mini Maroon® Japanese Barberry**

*Berberis thunbergii 'NCBT1'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

**Description:**

This compact dwarf is a well-shaped mound of brick red newer foliage that matures to deep purple-red; grown primarily for foliage; a great color contrast in the landscape; plant on slopes, in beds, or as a border; a sterile and non-invasive variety

**Ornamental Features**

Sunjoy Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry has attractive burgundy deciduous foliage which emerges brick red in spring on a plant with a round habit of growth. The small oval leaves are highly ornamental and turn outstanding shades of plum purple and in the fall.

**Landscape Attributes**

Sunjoy Mini Maroon 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 should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. 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 Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Sunjoy Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry*  
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*Sunjoy Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry foliage*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Sunjoy Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow 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 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 Mini Maroon Japanese Barberry makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. 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.