PLANT FACT SHEET

Berberis koreana Palibin.

GENUS *Berberis* **FAMILY** Berberidaceae

COMMON NAMES Korean barberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous shrub. It grows 1.5 m high and spreads 1.5 m wide. It develops suckers. There are spines on the stems. They spread out like fingers on a hand or in rings around the stem. The leaves are oblong and 6 cm long. They have teeth around the edge. The leaves can be mottled when young. The leaves colour in autumn. The flowers are yellow. They are in clusters of up to 20. These spikes droop. The fruit are glossy red berries.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is native to Korea. It suits hardiness zones 4-9.

NOTES

There are about 450-500 Berberis species.

PICTURES



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