

# Japanese Boxwood

*buxus microphylla*



3g Japanese Boxwood

Members of the Buxus family, Japanese Boxwoods are densely packed shrubs native to Asia. This evergreen shrub's thick foliage makes them an exceptional choice for ornamental hedges as they are easily shaped to fit the needs of the finished project. In fact, Boxwoods were named the most popular shrub in America.

Japanese Boxwoods grow to be anywhere from 4 to 8 feet tall. Boxwood foliage grows with many small, oval leaves lining small grey-brown twigs. You can tell them apart from other Boxwood varieties as their leaves are slightly larger and a brighter green. The leaves are leathery and have no change in Fall or Winter. They are slow growers, but are worth the wait due to their low maintenance requirements.

Like other Boxwoods, the Japanese Boxwood prefers cool, moist well drained soils as well as a small amount of shade to give protection from the summer sun. Once established, they are moderately drought tolerant.

Japanese Boxwood produces delicate white flowers that are not showy. The fruit of the Boxwood shrub is dark and inconspicuous. Japanese Boxwoods make great accent plantings, foundation plantings and even topiaries.



Japanese Boxwood- old growth (dark green) and new growth (light green)



Japanese Boxwood leaves



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## Common Names:

Boxwood, Japanese  
Boxwood, Littleleaf  
Boxwood

## Native Origin :

Asia, specifically Japan  
and Korea

## Environment:

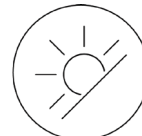
Soil: moist, well drained  
Salt: moderate, sensitive  
to soil salinity  
Exposure: full sun to  
partial shade

## Description:

Hardy Range: 6 - 9  
Mature Height: 4 - 8'  
Mature Spread: 4 - 6'  
Growth Rate: slow  
Growth Habit: rounded

## Ornamental Characteristics:

Small, densely packed dark green foliage which responds well to shaping and gives off a pleasant grassy scent. Some varieties have white flowers that are noticeable, but not showy. The fruit is very small, dark, and inconspicuous.



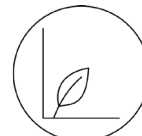
Partial Shade



Low maintenance



Evergreen



Slow growth

*Japanese Boxwood in the landscape*