# Euonymus japonica

## (Japanese euonymus, Japaneae Spindel)

Spindle-tree is a fast growing evergreen multi-stem shrub with a very dark glossy, waxy leaves. It can reach 3.5 m tall at full maturity but in order to keep it small and bushy needs to be trimmed back heavily every year. The flowers are small greenish white in color, flowering in May and June. The berries are orange in color attracting birds. All parts of the plant are harmful if eaten. Spindle-Tree will tolerate different types of well-drained soils but does not tolerate drought well; water and mulch the ground beneath the canopy for best growth. It grows in sun or shade, putting on the best fall color in full sun. Best to use it as a hedge or mass planting but also nice in a container, or deck and patio.



#### Landscape Information

French Name: Fusain du Japon Pronounciation: yoo-ON-ih-mus juh-PON-ihkus Plant Type: Shrub Origin: Japan Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 Hardiness Zones: 7, 8, 9 Uses: Hedge, Border Plant, Mass Planting, Container, Wildlife Size/Shape

## Growth Rate: Fast Tree Shape: oval Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical Canopy Density: Dense Canopy Texture: Medium Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m Spread at Maturity: 1 to 1.5 meters Time to Ultimate Height: 5 to 10 Years

Plant Image

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Flower Image

#### **Botanical Description**

#### Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite Leaf Venation: Pinnate Leaf Persistance: Evergreen Leaf Type: Simple Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm Leaf Shape: Oval Leaf Margins: Serrulate Leaf Textures: Waxy Leaf Scent: No Fragance Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

#### Flower

Flower Showiness: False Flower Scent: No Fragance Flower Color: Green, White Seasons: Spring, Summer

### Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Suspected to breakage Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked Trunk Esthetic Values: Not Showy Fruit

#### Fruit

Fruit Showiness: True Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5 Fruit Colors: Orange Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Horticulture Management

## Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes Heat Tolerant: Yes Drought Tolerant: Yes Salt Tolerance: Moderate

### Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline Water Requirements: High, Moderate Light Requirements: Full, Part

### Management

Invasive Potential: No Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: Yes Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No Surface Rooting: No Life Span: 25-50 years Diseases: Powdery Mildew Edible Parts: None Pests: Caterpillars, Scales Plant Propagations: Cutting

Leaf Image

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