Berberis darwinii
(Darwin's barberry)
One of the most beautiful barberries. During spring cluster of yellow flowers are in bloom followed by an edible bluish berries in the summer. The plant is native to Chile, Argentina where its growing in moist open woodlands. Evergreen leaves are small and covered with pickles. The plant can be grown in sun where the weather is cool and mild. Otherwise it is better for partial shade. This is an ideal specimen shrub for a woodland border or shaded foundation planting.

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<td><strong>Plant Type:</strong> Shrub</td>
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<td><strong>Origin:</strong> South America, Argentina, Chile</td>
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<td><strong>Heat Zones:</strong> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8</td>
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<td><strong>Hardiness Zones:</strong> 7, 8</td>
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<td><strong>Uses:</strong> Screen, Hedge, Topiary, Bonsai, Espalier, Border Plant, Windbreak</td>
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## Botanical Description

### Foliage
- **Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate
- **Leaf Venation:** Pinnate
- **Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen
- **Leaf Type:** Simple
- **Leaf Blade:** Less than 5
- **Leaf Shape:** Ovate
- **Leaf Margins:** Spiny
- **Leaf Textures:** Leathery, Glossy, Coarse
- **Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance
- **Color (growing season):** Green
- **Color (changing season):** Green

### Flower
- **Flower Showiness:** True
- **Flower Size Range:** 1.5 - 3
- **Flower Type:** Panicle
- **Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)
- **Flower Scent:** No Fragrance
- **Flower Color:** Yellow, Orange
- **Seasons:** Spring

### Trunk
- **Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage
- **Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked
- **Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

### Fruit
- **Fruit Type:** Berry
- **Fruit Showiness:** True
- **Fruit Size Range:** 1.5 - 3
- **Fruit Colors:** Blue
- **Seasons:** Spring
### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance
- **Frost Tolerant**: Yes
- **Heat Tolerant**: No
- **Drought Tolerant**: No
- **Salt Tolerance**: Poor

#### Requirements
- **Soil Requirements**: Loam
- **Soil Ph Requirements**: Acidic, Neutral
- **Water Requirements**: Moderate
- **Light Requirements**: Full, Part

#### Management
- **Toxity**: No
- **Invasive Potential**: No
- **Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases**: No
- **Pruning Requirement**: Needed, to develop a strong structure
- **Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter**: No
- **Surface Rooting**: No
- **Life Span**: 25-50 years
- **Edible Parts**: Fruit
- **Plant Propagations**: Seed, Cutting