

Invasive Species

Taxonomic Name: *Berberis vulgaris*

Common Name: *Common barberry*

Physical Description:

Growth Type: *Berberis vulgaris* is a shrub that can grow up to 10 feet in height. Branches arch from the ground.



Leaves: *The leaves are arranged on the stem in an alternate fashion. Leaves on older stems are clustered in groups of 2 – 5. The leaves are a dull green and have an elliptical shape. The leaves are rather coarse with a spiny edge. This species does not have any selections with ornamental foliage. Common barberry does not have any noticeable fall color.*



Flowers: *In spring this plant develops pendulous clusters of flowers that are about ½ inch in diameter and are bright yellow.*

