

# Mahonia Evaluation

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HW = Heronswood; MBG = Miller Botanical Garden; Locks = Carl S. English Jr. Garden at the Ballard Locks

Taxa	GPP	Location	Comments
Mahonia aquifolium 'Apollo'		HW	Rangy, exhibited signs of rust, plant observed was not in a good location
Mahonia aquifolium 'Atropurpureum'	Promising	HW	Shiny dark green winter foliage with a deep purple blush in shade (black-purple in sun)
Mahonia aquifolium 'Golden Abundance'		HW	
Mahonia aquifolium 'Orange Flame'		HW	
Mahonia bealeii			
Mahonia 'Cantab'		HW, MBG	Lax habit and poor flowering
Mahonia choccoco		HW	
Mahonia confusa		HW	Small plant, attractive narrow blue-green foliage
Mahonia dictoyola		HW	
Mahonia fortunei		HW	Prone to powdery mildew
Mahonia fremontii		HW, MBG	
Mahonia gracillipes		HW,	Blooms as young plant. Large bold dark green foliage, underside of leaves are striking white
Mahonia gracilis		HW, MBG	Very fragrant flowers, shiny medium green foliage, rangy habit
Mahonia haematocarpa		Locks	
Mahonia japonica		HW	
Mahonia japonica 'Hivernant'		HW	
Mahonia lomariifolia		HW, MBG	Marginally hardy, otherwise great foliage and flowers. Deep yellow flowers
Mahonia mairei		HW	Marginally hardy, Great orange-yellow flowers and pink bracts
Mahonia x media 'Arthur Menzies'	Promising	HW, MBG	Showy and long lasting, strong upright vigorous growth
Mahonia x media 'Charity'		HW	Flowers shatter earlier, good dark green foliage, stiff habit
Mahonia x media 'Hope'		HW	Good stiff foliage, few Flowers
Mahonia x media 'Lionel Fortescue'	Promising	HW, MBG	Blooms early (Nov) reliable long lasting flowers. Buds and bloom frost resistant
Mahonia x media 'Underway'		HW	Few Flowers
Mahonia x media 'Winter Sun'		HW	
Mahonia nepaulensis 'Maharajah'		HW	Dark green somewhat large foliage
Mahonia nervosa	Promising	HW, MBG	
Mahonia nevinii		HW	
Mahonia pallida		HW	Matte green foliage, somewhat airy habit

Mahonia pinnata 'Ken S. Howard'		HW	Vigorous, handsome dark green foliage, fine spiny texture, drought tolerant, blooms March. Dense upright habit.
Mahonia 'Skylands'		HW	M. aquifolium x pinnata, shiny dark green foliage
Mahonia pinnata s. insularis 'Schnilemoon'		HW	Shiny medium green foliage, rangy habit
Mahonia pumila		HW	
Mahonia veithiorum			Golden venation, 3'-4' plant, small flowers