Tall Oregon-grape

Berberis aquifolium ~ Barberry Family
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Ethnobotany
- Stems & roots produce an intense yellow dye

Habitat Value
- Mason bees use the nectar
- Berries are eaten by robins, juncos & other birds, also raccoons & coyotes
- Deer browse the foliage & flowers

Characteristics
- Grows to five feet tall & leaves are prickly, holly-like with 5-9 leaflets
- Bright-yellow flowers yield tart, blue berries, good for jelly

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