Common Name: Tall Oregon Grape
Scientific Name: *Mahonia aquifolium*

**Sun Exposure:** Full sun to full shade, very adaptable

**Average Size:** 3-10 feet in height and about 4-8 feet in diameter

**Moisture:** Can grow on sites ranging from fairly dry to moist. Prefers drier sites.

**Elevation:** Low to upper elevations (sea level to 5,000 feet)

**Soils:** Can grow in a wide range of soils. Prefers well-drained soils.

**Shape:** Erect, rhizomatous (spreads via underground roots) evergreen shrub. Commonly grow in clusters with numerous, unbranched stems.

**Foliage:** Evergreen ~Leaves are clustered, long and alternate with 5-9 leathery leaflets (2-3 “long), with prominent spiny teeth (resembling English holly); turn reddish green in fall/winter.

**Flower:** Bright yellow, flower parts in 6s; many-flowered erect clusters about 10 inches long,. Flowers form in spring.

**Fruit:** Blue berries about 1/2 inch across with few large seeds. Form in elongated clusters, edible. Berries form in last summer.