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Euonymus japonicus

[Synonyms : *Euonymus pulchellus*, *Masakia japonica*]

JAPANESE SPINDLE TREE is an evergreen shrub or tree. Native to southern Japan it has green and white flowers.

It is also known as *Brslen* (Czech), Chinese box, Evergreen euonymus, Evergreen spindle, Japanese euonymus, Japanese laurel, and *Vèrt-bouais* (Channel Islander-Jersey Norman-French).

Japonica means 'of or from Japan'.

It was introduced to Britain from Japan in 1804 and had achieved considerable popularity there as an ornamental garden plant by the end of that century.