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Photinia glabra

[Synonyms : *Crataegus glabra*, *Sorbus glabra*]

JAPANESE PHOTINIA is an evergreen shrub. Native to Japan it has pink-flushed, white flowers each with about twenty stamens.

It is also known as *Kanamemochi* (Japanese), Red leaf photinia, Redtip, Red tip photinia, and Redtop.

The flowers have a hawthorn-like smell.

Glabra is Latin (hairless, bald) meaning 'hairless or smooth'.

The tiny black berries when dried have been eaten locally.

From the end of the 20th Century this shrub has become one of the more popular hedge plants cultivated in gardens in Europe.

Medicinally, local herbalists have turned to Japanese photinia for remedies for treating jaundice, dysentery and piles.