

# Box

*Buxus* Also known as: **Boxwood, Buxus**

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This description is for *Box (Buxus)*:

## A Box full of fantastic hedges.

The Buxus is the genus of around 70 different species of plants, and is also referred to as simply Box. It's a slow growing, evergreen plant that flowers with tiny, yellowish-green blooms during the springtime. Often grown as hedges and shaped for topiary, it's also used for its wood. This is commonly used to make chess pieces and some stringed instruments. It's a hardy plant, coping well with the inclement British weather, and will grow in virtually any location as long as it has a bit of shade.



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Plant	Environment	Usage
<b>Known dangers?</b> yes	<b>Acidity</b> Acidic Neutral Alkaline	<b>Standard category</b> Trees & shrubs Shrubs
<b>Dangers: comments</b> The sap of this plant may irritate your skin.	<b>Hardiness zone</b> Z6-9	<b>Grown for</b> Evergreen foliage

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<b>Height [m]</b> 1 - 1.5	<b>Heat zone</b> H9-6	<b>Creative category</b> Kid Approved For Beginners We love the dark Bonsai Neighbour repellent Tough survivors
<b>Spread [m]</b> 1.5	<b>Winter temperatures [°C]</b> -23 - -1	<b>Garden type</b> Formal garden Containers Topiary
<b>Dominant flower colour</b> Inconspicuous or absent	<b>Heat days</b> 45 - 150	<b>Garden spaces</b> Shade Hedges and screens
<b>Flower Fragrance</b> No, neutral please	<b>Moisture</b> well-drained well-drained but frequently watered	<b>Gardening expertise</b> beginner
<b>Flowering seasons</b> Mid spring Late spring	<b>Soil type</b> sandy Clay chalky loams	<b>Time to reach full size</b> up to 20 years
<b>Foliage in spring</b> Green	<b>Sun requirements</b> Partial shade Full shade	
<b>Foliage in summer</b> Green	<b>Exposure</b> Exposed Sheltered	
<b>Foliage in Autumn</b> Green		
<b>Foliage in winter</b> Brown or bronze		
<b>Propagation methods</b> semi-ripe cuttings grafting seed		
<b>Growth habit</b> Compact Dense Rounded		