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Mountain Lover

Paxistima myrsinites
Bittersweet Family



- Can be used as a border or low-growing hedge
- Great for rock gardens
- Excellent understory woodland shrub
- An evergreen shrub with shiny, green, leathery leaves
- Pollinated by insects as the flowers are extremely inconspicuous
- Used by Native Americans to treat pain, tuberculosis, and inflammation
- Other common names include Boxleaf Myrtle, Oregon Boxwood, and "pa-kissed-ma," a mnemonic for *Paxistima*