

TOPMOST HERB FARM - 2008 PLANTS

PLANT	BOTANICAL NAME	LIFE	PLACE	HEIGHT	NOTES
Amaranth, Globe	Gomphrena haageana	A	Sun	24"	Purple & strawberry red, excellent for drying
Angelica	Angelica archangelica	P	Semi Shade	5-6'	Stately flower umbels 2nd & 3rd yr., stems may be candied
Angel's Trumpets	Datura metel	A	Sun	2'	Beautiful, but don't ingest any part of plant - poisonous!
Anise Hyssop	Agastache foeniculum	P	Sun	3-4'	All parts of plant have strong licorice scent & flavor; good tea
Arnica, European	Arnica montana	P	Sun	20"	Performs best in acid soil
Basil, Fino Verde	Ocimum basilicum	A	Sun	12-18"	Globe shaped small bushy plants, sweet fragrance & flavor
Basil, Aroma	O. basilicum	A	Sun	20-24"	Fusarium wilt resistant
Basil, 'Aussie Sweetie'	O. basilicum	A	Sun	18-24"	For containers; columnar growth, small leaves, intense flavor
Basil, Blue Spice	O basilicum	A	Sun	18"	Sweet with vanilla overtones, purple flowers
Basil, Cinnamon	O. basilicum	A	Sun	24"	Unique flavor of cinnamon & cloves. Lovely landscape plant
Basil, Dwarf	O. basilicum	A	Sun	12"	Small leaves, columnar-shaped short plants
Basil, 'Gecofure'	O. basilicum	A	Sun	18"	Compact, for containers
Basil, Genovese	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Developed in Italy for pesto; large leaves, classic flavor
Basil, Genovese Compact	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-18"	Specially developed for container growing
Basil, Holy	O. basilicum sanctum	A	Sun	18-24"	Clove scent, used in cold dishes only
Basil, Lemon	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Small leaves, delightful lemony scent & flavor
Basil, Lettuce Leaf	O. basilicum	A	Sun	18-24"	Large wrinkled leaves; excellent for wrapping appetizers
Basil, Licorice	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Strong licorice flavor and scent
Basil, Lime	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Bright notes of zesty lime add a tropical touch to all cuisine
Basil, Osmin Purple	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Lavender blooms do not diminish flavor; makes lovely vinegar
Basil, Purple Ruffles	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Moderately fragrant, strong flavor with purple flowers
Basil, Sweet	O. basilicum	A	Sun	16-20"	Heavy yielding variety with large aromatic leaves
Basil, Thai	O. basilicum 'Quenette'	A	Sun	12-18"	Fine, 1/2 inch leaves, mild sweet clove-mint flavor
Basil, True Thai	O. basilicum 'Siam Queen'	A	Sun	10-12"	Crucial ingredient in Thai cuisine, pink flowers, purple stems
Basil, Wild	Clinopodium vulgare	A	Sun	10"	Mild and savory with smaller round leaves, pink flowers
Bay	Laurus nobilis	TP	Sun/Pt Shade	2-3'	Ancient leaves crowned scholars & poets. Winter indoors
Betony	Stachys officinalis	P	Sun	24-20"	Non-invasive, clump forming with pale lavender bloom spikes
Brown-eyed Susan	Rudbeckia triloba	P	Sun	3-4'	Delicate clusters of small blooms all season
Brugmansia, lavender	Datura metel, 'Black Currant'	A	Sun	3'	Large hanging blooms of lavender and white, lightly scented
Butterfly Weed	Asclepias curassavica	TP	Sun	28"	Deep red, good cut flower, treat as an annual
Calendula	Calendula officinalis	A	Sun	2'3'	Strong blooming even thru light frosts, keep deadheaded
Cardinal Flower	Lobelia cardinalis	P	Part Shade	2-3'	Native wildflower; brilliant splash of red, best in damp shade
Catnip	Nepeta cataria	P	Sun	1-2'	Tea is traditional cold remedy. Protect from cats until established
Celosia, Bombay	Celosia argentea cristata	A	Sun	3'	Wine-red crested blooms are unique & lovely fresh or dried
Chamomile, German	Matricaria recutita	A	Sun	2'	Best chamomile for tea; use the blossoms either fresh or dry
Chamomile, Roman	Chamaemelum nobile	P	Sun/Pt Shade	10-16"	The English lawn favorite; few blooms, low growing
Chervil	Anthriscus cerefolium	A	Shade	12-18"	Provide consistent moisture, best in cool soil

Chives	<i>Allium schoenoprasum</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	12"	Leaves have delicate onion flavor; use flowers in vinegar, salad
Chives, garlic	<i>Allium tuberosum</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	12-18"	Flat leaves combine taste of garlic & chives; white umbel flowers
Columbine, old fash.	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	P	Sun/Shade	24-30"	Rapidly disappearing roadside native; yellow and red blooms
Comfrey, true	<i>Symphytum officinalis</i>	P	Sun	3'	Best in fertile soils; traditionally used for external wound healing
Costmary	<i>Tanacetum balsamita</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	8-10"	"Bible Leaf" - sweet mint-balsam scent, Middle Ages ale flavoring
Cup Plant	<i>Silphium perforatum</i>	P	Sun	7'	Stately plant, leaves clasp the stem, yellow daisy like blooms
Dil, Bouquet	<i>Anethum graveolens</i>	A	Sun	2-3'	Bushy variety; harvest leaves just before umbels open
Dill, Compatto	<i>A. graveolens</i>	A	Sun	12-18"	Bred for containers
Dill, Fernleaf	<i>A. graveolens</i>	A	Sun	18-24"	Excellent for leaf production
Dragon's Head, Siberian	<i>Dracocephalum ruyschiana</i>	P	Afternoon Shade	18-24"	Tea from the purple flowers gives one the courage of a dragon
Elecampane	<i>Inula helenium</i>	P	Sun	6'	Dramatic background plant, yellow flowers; harvest 2nd yr root
Fennel, Bronze	<i>Foeniculum vulgare dulce</i>	P	Sun	4'	Lovely decorative foliage excellent for fish, soups, potato dishes
Fenugreek	<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>	A	Full sun	12"	White flowers; plant is a known soil healer, breaks up clay soils
Feverfew	<i>Tanacetum parthenium</i>	P	Sun	18-24"	Light green foliage, small daisy-like flowers, abundant reseeder
Foxglove, Rusty	<i>Digitalis ferruginea</i>	P	Sun	3-5'	Flower stalks packed with thimble shaped yellow & brown flowers
Fuschia 'Gartenmeister'	<i>Fuschia triphylla</i>	TP	Sun	24"	Upright with drooping clusters of red blooms; good houseplant
Garden Bells	<i>Penstemon hartwegii</i>	P	Sun	24"	white & rose bell-shaped blooms, hummingbird attractor
Gentian, Bottle	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	2'	Blue-violet closed flowers
Geranium, Rose	<i>Pelargonium graveolens</i>	A	Sun	18-24"	Use leaves & flowers in fruit salad, tea, punch, jellies & potpourri
Golden Marguerite	<i>Anthemis tinctoria</i>	P	Sun	24-36"	Yellow daisy-like flowers - "Dyer's chamomile"
Gotu Kola	<i>Centella asiatica</i>	TP	Light Shade	8-10"	Tropical plant, attractive in hangers, folklore: brain energizer
Horehound	<i>Marrubium vulgare</i>	P	Sun	20-24"	Decorative border plant for the grey garden; thrives in poor soil
Hyssop	<i>Hyssopus officinalis</i>	P	Sun	24"	Clip to maintain as hedge; blue flowers dry well
Jewels of Opar	<i>Talinum paniculatum</i>	A	Sun	24-36"	Bright green leaves, pink flowers, orange seedpods
Joe Pye Weed	<i>Eupatorium purpureum</i>	P	Sun	3-4'	Native with pink late season blooms; combine with goldenrod
Kalmegh	<i>Andrographis paniculata</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	12-36"	Recently used successfully in Lyme Disease protocols
Lady's Mantle	<i>Alchemilla mollis</i>	P	Semi Shade	12-24"	Scalloped leaves collect dew; yellow flower sprays dry well
Lamb's Ear	<i>Stachys byzantina</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	6-8"	Soft downy leaves used historically for bandages
Lavatera 'Mont Blanc'	<i>Lavatera trimestris</i>	A	Sun	20"	Stalks covered with white funnel-shaped blossoms all season
Lavender 'Munstead'	<i>Lavandula angustifolia</i>	P	Sun	18"	English lavender, earliest blooming - keep well drained
Lemon Balm	<i>Melissa officinalis</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	1-2'	Refreshing tea from leaves; insignificant flowers attract bees
Lemon Verbena	<i>Aloysia triphylla</i>	TP	Sun	2-3'	Very strong, delightful lemon scent - tea aids digestion
Lemongrass	<i>Cymbopogon citratus</i>	TP	Sun/Pt Shade	3-4'	Tropical aromatic - chop leaves for tea and flavoring
Lobelia, Great Blue	<i>Lobelia syphilitica</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	2'	Showy native, large blue flower spikes in September
Lovage	<i>Levisticum officinale</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	3-4'	Leaves taste of celery; sprinkle in salads, sauces & soups
Marigold, Lemon Gem	<i>Tagetes tenuifolia pumila</i>	A	Sun	10-12"	Free blooming yellow single flowers; feathery mounding foliage
Marjoram, Sweet	<i>Origanum majorana</i>	A	Sun	18"	Harvest leaves as blooms begin; use in salads, stews & meat
Milk Thistle	<i>Silybum marianum</i>	A	Sun	3'	Striking green & white marbled leaves with sharp spines
Mint, Lemon	<i>Monarda citriodora</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	2-3'	Southwest native; pink flowers in whorls, lemon scented leaves

Mint, Mountain	<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>	P	Sun	2-3'	Vase-shaped clumps, light, fragrant tea; beautiful when dried
Mint, Peppermint	<i>Mentha piperita</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	24-30"	The True Black variety, with strong flavor, excellent for digestion
Mint, Spearmint	<i>Mentha spicata</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	24-30"	Best mint for cooking
Motherwort	<i>Leonurus cardiaca</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	2'	Commonly referred to as helpful for women; good bee plant
Mugwort, white	<i>Artemisia lactiflora</i>	P	Sun	2-3'	Multiple tiny white flowers blooming midseason; seeds in October
Nasturtium, Jewel	<i>Tropaeolum</i> spp	A	Sun	15"	Bushy plants with blooms above foliage; eat the peppery flowers
Nicotiana 'Only the Lonely'	<i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	5'	White flowers in drooping clusters; from Argentina in 1899
Nicotiana, Jasmine Scented	<i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	3-4'	Moth pollinated white flowers
Nigella, Neon	<i>Nigella damascena</i>	A	Sun	8"	Bright purple frilled flowers, later bicolored seedpods
Oregano, Golden Creeping	<i>Origanum vulgare aureum</i>	P	Sun	6-12"	Mild oregano flavor; leaves vary from gold to green
Oregano, Greek	<i>Origanum vulgare hirtum</i>	P	Sun	6-12"	Performs best in light soil; the most intense oregano flavor
Papalo, Round Leaf	<i>Porophyllum ruderale</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	3'	Superb cilantro substitute; use newest leaves
Parsley, Curly	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i>	B	Sun	12-15"	Usually used as garnish but actually a great digestive
Parsley, Flat Leaf	<i>Petroselinum crispum</i>	B	Sun	12-15"	Preferred for cooking; high in protein, vitamins A & C
Pearly Everlasting	<i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i>	P	Sun	2'	Pick when just beginning to open for dried flowers
Pennyroyal	<i>Mentha pulegium</i>	P	Sun	6-16"	Sprawling plant, strong odiferous leaves used as insect repellent
Pleurisy Root	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	P	Sun	24"	Butterfly attractor with orange blooms
Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	3-4'	Medicinal, good cut flower, beneficial attractor
Rosemary 'Arp'	<i>Rosemarinus officinalis</i>	TP	Sun/Pt Shade	2-3'	This variety discovered in Texas - bring in for winter
Rudbeckia, 'Prairie Sun'	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	P	Sun	24-30"	16 pointy golden petals, light golden tips, green centers
Rue	<i>Ruta graveolens</i>	P	Sun	2-3'	Tolerates poor soil, interesting blue-green foliage
Sage, Berggarten	<i>Salvia officinalis</i>	P	Sun	18-24"	Originally from W Germany; beautiful & compact, large leaves
Sage, Clary	<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	B	Sun/Pt Shade	2-3'	Historically used to treat eye disorders; showy flowers in 2nd yr
Sage, Gentian	<i>Salvia patens</i>	A	Sun	12-15"	Dynamic blue blooms
Sage, Pineapple	<i>Salvia elegans</i>	A	Sun	3'	Aromatic foliage, stunning red blooms in October
Sage, White	<i>Salvia apiana</i>	TP	Sun	3'	Aromatic, almost white foliage used in ceremony
Salad Bowls	Various greens	A	Sun	6-10"	Keep well watered; harvest with scissors, fertilize every 2 wks
Salad Burnet	<i>Poterium sanguisorba</i>	P	Sun	12"	Good border plant; young leaves in salads help digestion
Salvia, Marble Arch	<i>Salvia viridis</i>	A	Sun	26"	Colorful bouquet filler; bracts of purple and rose all season
Savory Summer	<i>Satureja hortensis</i>	A	Sun	1.5'	Plant near beans to repel bean beetles; flavors all bean dishes
Savory, Winter	<i>Satureja montana</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	12"	Coarser, stronger flavor than summer savory
Scarlet Pimpernel	<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	P	Sun	6"	Flowers close if rain threatens; historically used for melancholy
Shoo-Fly	<i>Nicandra physaloides</i>	A	Sun/Pt Shade	24-26"	Lavender & white trumpet blooms; attractive dried seedpods
Skullcap, American	<i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	15-20"	Native spreading perennial; numerous small blue flowers
Sneezeweed	<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	P	Sun	4-5'	Colonists used it as a snuff substitute; late season bloomer
Spilanthes	<i>Spilanthes oleracea</i>	A	Pt Shade	8-12"	Ancient entertaining plant; yellow & red gumdrop-like blossoms
Stevia	<i>Stevia rebaudiana</i>	A	Sun	2-3'	Cut back after flowering, use leaves as sugar substitute
Strawberry, Alpine	<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	P	Sun	6-8"	Compact, mounding plant with sweet miniature berries
Sweet Annie	<i>Artemisia annua</i>	A	Sun	4-6'	Fragrant dried for decoration; used medicinally to combat malaria

Sweet Woodruff	<i>Asperula odorata</i>	P	Shade, cool	8"	Spreading ground cover; dried leaves like new mown hay
Tarragon, French	<i>Artemisia dracunculus</i>	P	Sun	2'	Fine, subtle anise flavor; makes excellent vinegar
Thyme, Creeping	<i>Thymus serpyllum</i>	P	Sun	6"	Needs good drainage; excellent groundcover
Thyme, German	<i>T. vulgaris</i>	P	Sun	10-12"	Needs good drainage; upright bushy and robust
Thyme, Lemon	<i>T. vulgaris citriodora</i>	P	Sun	10-12"	Needs good drainage; intense lemon scent and flavor
Verbascum, white	<i>Verbascum chaixii alba</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	3-5'	Clumping plant with multiple flower spikes, intricately colored
Vervain, Blue	<i>Verbena hastata</i>	P	Sun	4-5'	Many terminal spikes of flower clusters; light, well-drained soil
Violet, Corsican	<i>Viola corsicus</i>	P	Sun/Pt Shade	8"	Heat & drought tolerant, good for containers.
Yucca, Banana	<i>Yucca baccata</i>	P	Full sun		Performs best in dry, sandy soil