Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County

2022 MASTER GARDENER PLANT SALE

2022 CULINARY HERBS

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Common Name	Variety and/or Cultivar	Botanical Name (Genus and species)	Annual	Perennial	Days to Maturity	Height	Comments
Basil	'Italian Large Leaf'	Ocimum basilicum	х		78	24-30"	Large plant with medium-dark green leaves up to 4" long; slow to bolt; compared to Genovese, the scent and taste are sweeter; regarded as the essential variety for true Neapolitan cuisine, especially pesto; sun.
Basil	'Prospera® Compact (F1)'	Ocimum basilicum	х		74	16-18"	Compact, dense, slow-bolting plants; large, 3-4", dark green, glossy, heavily-cupped leaves; traditional Genovese aroma; high yields; grows well in containers; downy mildew and Fusarium resistant; sun.
Basil	'Rutgers Passion'	Ocimum basilicum	х		76	20-24"	Italian large leaf type; wide, serrated leaves 3" long; very uniform and productive with excellent aroma; slow to bolt; grows well in containers; downy mildew resistant; sun.
Basil	'Spicy Bush'	Ocimum basilicum minimum	х		50-55	8-14"	Spicy, sweet basil flavor in tiny 1" long leaves; decorative dome-shaped plants; can be grown in pots as well as in garden beds; sun.
Basil	'Cinnamon'	Ocimum basilicum	×		68	18-30"	Combines cinnamon with basil for spicy sweet flavor; delicious in baked goods, salads and jams; deep red stems, dark green leaves and pink flowers; pinch flowers to encourage leaf growth and flavor, leave flowers for ornamental use; interplant with tomatoes to repel pests; sun; attracts pollinators and butterflies.
Basil, Lettuce Leaf	'Tuscany'	Ocimum basilicum	х		75	12-16"	Attractive and tasty; lettuce-leaf type; very large 3-5" long, ruffled and puckered, bright-green leaves; mild basil flavor with hints of licorice; upright habit; has shown better than average downy mildew tolerance in field trials; sun.
Basil, Purple	'Purple Opal'	Ocimum basilicum	х		70	12-18"	Excellent heirloom cultivar; attractive, serrated garnet-purple leaves and pink flowers; delicious in cooked dishes and salads;striking in a planting; pinch to extend harvesting and for culinary use; allow to flower to attract pollinators; sun.
Basil, Thai		Ocimum basilicum var. thyrsiflora	х		64-70	12-24"	Green 2" leaves, purple stems; purple flowers July to frost; intensely sweet, anise-like fragrance and taste with a hint of mint and citrus; use leaves fresh or dried in tomato dishes, pasta sauces, vegetables and soups; sun.

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Dill	'Fernleaf'	Anethum graveolens	х		55-60 to leaf, 95-115 to seed	6-8"	Dwarf plants produce dark blue-green ferny leaves; designed for containers and the smallest of gardens; very slow to bolt; branches from the base; leaves are great in salads, sauces, soups and baked goods; seeds are used for pickling, vinegars and sauerkraut; keep soil moist to avoid bolting; watch for aphids and tomato hornworms; sun; attracts black swallowtail butterflies; deer resistant.
Dill	'Superdukat'	Anethum graveolens	x		40-45 to leaf, 90-110 to seed	4½ -5 feet	Triploid strain is leafier and slower to bolt; edible yellow flowers in late summer; leaves add subtle but distinctive flavor to a variety of dishes including fish, vegetables, soups, salads, sauces, breads, and herb butters; seeds used primarily for pickling, vinegars and sauerkraut; uniform in height for easier leaf bunch harvesting; keep soil moist to avoid bolting; watch for aphids and tomato hornworms; sun; attracts black swallowtail butterflies; deer resistant.
Fennel, Bronze	'Bronze'	Foeniculum vulgare		х	80	3-4 feet	Versatile herb and dramatic landscape plant and culinary herb; unique brownish bronze color deepens as the season progresses; sulfur-yellow flowers late summer; sprigs used to flavor salads, fish, sauces; anise flavored seeds; flavor and use are similar to those for regular fennel; sun; attracts butterflies; deer resistant.
Lavender, English	'Ellagance Snow'	Lavandula angustifolia		x	n/a	12-16"	Showy, compact, well-branched bushy plants; pure white flower spikes; flowers in its first year; fragrant, gray-green foliage with a dwarfed growing habit, spread 10-16"; a long-blooming variety for edging and rock gardens; prune lightly in spring; requires good drainage; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; rabbit and deer resistant.
Lavender, English	'Hidcote Blue'	Lavandula angustifolia		х	n/a	12-20"	Fragrant; spikes of deep violet blue blooms June-July; silver-gray leaves; moderate moisture; well-drained, light sandy soil; sun; heat and drought resistant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Lavender, English	'Melissa Lilac'	Lavandula angustifolia		х	n/a	24-28"	Stunning large flower heads of vibrant lilac-purple color in summer; sweetly fragrant flowers with a mild flavor for cooking and a nice addition to oils and infusions; spread 16"; silvery foliage; eye-catching addition to garden; well drained soil; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Lavender, English	Sensational [®] PP31786	Lavandula x intermedia		х	n/a	18-30"	Silvery foliage; large, dense, fragrant purple flower spikes; showy, compact, dense habit; prolonged flowering season from summer to fall; requires good drainage; use in borders, rock gardens, containers, or mass plantings; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; rabbit and deer resistant.

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Mint	'Kentucky Colonel'	Mentha spicata		х	n/a	12-24"	Large, dark green, crinkled leaves with strong spearmint fragrance and taste for garden and culinary use; the official mint used to make Mint Julep; can be used in any recipe calling for spearmint; pinkish-white blooms; like other mints it will spread aggressively, plant in container or with soil barrier; sun to part shade; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Oregano, Golden	'Aureum'	Origanum vulgare		х	n/a	6-12"	Golden yellow foliage is great accent in herb garden; pink flowers July - September; low creeping habit; full sun but light shade from hot afternoon sun preserves golden color; drought tolerant; attracts butterflies; deer resistant.
Parsley, Curly	'Krausa'	Petroselinum crispum	Bien		70	10-12"	Dense, triple curled variety; uniform plants are ornamental in the garden and very heavy-bearing for the kitchen; good for fresh or dried use; biennial in zones 6-9, grown as an annual; some swallowtail butterflies use parsley as a host plant for their larvae; sun.
Parsley, Flat	'Peione'	Petroselinum crispum	Bien		75	18-20"	Improved Giant of Italy-type; larger and darker green leaves, a more uniform plant habit, and sweeter flavor; thick, upright stems for easier harvest; prefers well-drained, rich soil; excellent culinary variety; very high yielding; biennial in zones 6-9, grown as an annual; intermediate resistance to downy mildew; some swallowtail butterflies use parsley as a host plant for their larvae; sun to part shade.
Rosemary	'Barbeque'	Rosmarinus officinalis	х		n/a	3 feet	Upright habit; long, straight, sturdy stems can be used as skewers; dark green, aromatic leaves and stems, light blue flowers; requires well-drained soil; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Rosemary	'Blue Spire'	Rosmarinus officinalis	х		n/a	24-36"	Upright habit; aromatic; dense gray-green foliage and stems; exceptionally showy lavender-blue flower spikes over a long season; use for flower border, in herb gardens, for cooking and as a garnish; needs well-drained soil; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Sage, Common	'Common'	Salvia officinalis		х	n/a	18"	Blue, lavender blooms in June; spread 15"; fragrant gray-green leaves; woody stem; pinch to promote fullness; sun; tolerates drought; attracts butterflies; deer resistant.
Sage, Pineapple		Salvia elegans	х		n/a	24-30"	Pineapple scented leaves can be steeped in hot water to make herbal tea; red flowers in late fall; sun; attracts butterflies and hummingbirds; deer resistant.
Sage, Purple	'Purpurascens'	Salvia officinalis		х	n/a	12-24"	Lavender blooms May to June; fragrant leaves; grown for purple foliage; hardy to Zone 6; sun; drought tolerant; attracts butterflies; deer resistant.

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Sage, Tricolor	'Tricolor'	Salvia officinalis		х	n/a	12-18"	Lilac-blue blooms in May to June; spread 12-18"; fragrant leaves are grayish-green, white and purple, edged with pink; may not be winter hardy; well-drained soil; sun; drought tolerant; attracts butterflies; deer resistant.
Tarragon, French		Artemisia dracunculus		х	n/a	24"	Anise flavored leaves are used with fish, poultry and vinegar; pinch to keep bushy; needs well-drained soil; sun to part shade; deer resistant.
Thyme	'Foxley'	Thymus pulegiodes		х	n/a	6-8"	Broad, fragrant, rounded green leaves outlined in cream; pink flowers; upright habit; great for ornamental use in herb gardens, containers and borders; use fresh or dry; cut back plants to encourage fresh growth; moist, well-drained soil; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Thyme, Lemon Variegated	'Aureus'	Thymus x citriodorus		х	n/a	3"	Golden edged, variegated leaves; fragrance of lemons; slightly sharper flavor than lemon thyme; small pink flowers; moist, well-drained soil; 12" spread; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.
Thyme, Lemon Creeping	'Doone Valley'	Thymus x citriodorus		х	n/a	2-4"	Dark green foliage is tipped with gold in cool weather; fragrance of lemons; bright pink flowers in mid-summer; will tolerate moderate foot traffic; sun; drought tolerant; attracts pollinators and butterflies; deer resistant.

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