

2018 Tilth Alliance May Edible Plant Sale

Herb and Flower Plant List



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Please be aware that we may not have all the varieties listed in this document at the 2018 May Edible Plant Sale. Occasionally, the growers will experience a crop failure or the plants will be too small to sell. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

All our herb and flower starts are organically grown and/or Certified Organic by Cascade Cuts in Bellingham, Rent's Due Ranch in Stanwood, WA, Sunseed Farms in Acme, WA, Growing Garden in Bellingham, WA and The Root Cellar in Yelm, WA.

Edible Flowers

Alyssum

Mixed Colors

Lobularia maritima. You may know that alyssum has a light honey-like fragrance and that it blooms non-stop all summer with little care but have you ever tasted Alyssum? Well it doesn't taste strong but it sure looks pretty decorating summer cakes, fruit salad and a bowl of ice cream! The young leaves, stems and flowers are all edible plus they attract all kinds of beneficial insects to the garden. How can you go wrong? Grows to 6" tall and spreads up to a foot.

Borage

Borago officinalis

The bright blue, star-shaped flowers (which bloom most of the summer) make borage one of the prettiest herb plants. The leaves are large and leathery and covered in soft spikes. The flavor of the leaves and flowers resembles that of cucumber. The plant will grow to a height of about 18 inches, and spread about 12 inches. Beloved by bumble bees.

Calendula

Alpha

Bright orange Gerbera like flowers on 30 inch plants are a delight in any garden. The petals of this beauty have a high resin content making them perfect for mixing into hand creams. Great as cut flowers and reseed easily for more flowering fun.

Neon

Glowing orange with burgundy tips, 'Neon' is a fabulous addition to your garden. Mix it in with your fruiting plants to attract pollinators straight to your squash and tomatoes. Cut for bouquets or trim flowers to dry and add to homemade lotions. Calendula is a multi-use and showy choice. Self sows easily.

Resina

One of the most resinous Calendula varieties, great for harvesting for salves and lotions. Beautiful cheery yellow and sometimes orange flowers bloom all summer long. Also great for use as a dye plant. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Solar Flashback Mix

Who would have thought Calendulas could get any better? This Frank Morton introduction certainly proves they can! Solar Flashback is a double with a mix of colors on each flower, using all the Calendula colors we know and love. Lots of ivory and soft pink too with contrasting maroon on the underpetals. Simply stunning.

Strawberry Blonde

A lovely pink variety from Wild Garden Seeds in Oregon. Dark red backsides on the petals and a dark central eye provide contrast to the lovely pastel pink and yellow petals. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Triangle Flashback

Great cut flowers are colorful additions to a festive cake batter, the undersides of these petals are dark burgundy with the tops a mix of white, apricot, orange and yellow. Plants can reach 14-24 inches tall.

Dianthus

Dynasty Mix

Ah, the sweet spicy smell of summer is strong in these rose, white, orchid and pink beauties. The flowers are fully double and some are bi-colored too. Add to summer lemonades, cocktails, on cupcake frosting or even in your dinner salad. Remove the base as it can be more bitter for your sweeter culinary treats. Dianthus love full sun and good garden soil. Tuck them into the lettuce patch where their slight shade will provide your lettuce some relief from the sun.

Everlast Burgundy Blush

Fragrant and striking burgundy red flowers cover the lovely perennial gray-green leaves all season long. Great for cutting, attractive to beneficial insects. The mounded form grows to 12 inches high and wide. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Everlast Dark Pink

What a charmer! Mounding to 12 inches high with an equal spread. This Dianthus bears bright pink double flowers in the spring. Stays in bloom for a long time and then will rebloom again in cooler weather in the fall. Cold hardy so good for wintering over as a perennial.

Everlast Lilac Eye

Another great mounding Dianthus growing to 12 inches tall with an equal spread. Combine this with Everlast - Dark Pink for a stunning display in a pot or incorporate into the veggie bed for use as an edible flower or a pollinator plant. A double lilac pink bloom with a deep red eye. This one reblooms when the weather turns cooler in the fall.

Pink Kisses

Another wonderfully fragrant Dianthus with dark pink centers rimmed by pale pink edges. Grows 10 inches wide and up to 16 inches tall. Attractive to beneficial insects and good for cut flowers. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Volcano Mix

Another hot and spicy Dianthus mix in shades of red, purple, pink and coral. Large two and a half inch to five inch blooms really brighten up your veggie garden. Great for pollinators and tasty additions to a plethora of sweet and savory summer fare. Plants grow to 2 feet and love sun and good garden soil.

Marigold

Bonanza Deep Orange

Classic orange French marigold - grows ten inches tall and eight inches wide with an upright form. Great for attracting beneficial insects. Cheers up the garden edges and loves containers! Try tossing a few flowers worth of petals on top of a fresh summer salad for a tasty and colorful treat. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Bonanza Mix

The double flowers of Bonanza Mix are the largest of this type, a huge, 2 to 2.5 in. across and available in a wide range of pure, intense colours. Bonanza is faster to flower than other double French marigolds. These plants are excellent performers under a wide range of conditions.

Harlequin

This delightful colorful French marigold is an heirloom dating back to 1870. Striped in bright yellow and deep red, this stunning flower is a wonderful focal plant for container arrangements. Tuck it into the edges of the veggie garden or as a border in your shrub beds. Attracting all manner of pollinators and beneficial insects these beauties are also tasty in summer salads or a spicy cocktail.

Lemon Gem

A cheerful single yellow marigold that is perfect for tucking into the ends of your garden beds. Adds a splash of color while also attracting beneficial pollinators and predatory insects. Grows to about a foot tall and wide. Lovely to brush against when tending the garden when it releases its citrusy scent. Set a single cheerful flower on top of a chocolate frosted cupcake for a festive event.

Mexican Mint

Small single orange flowers cover this old variety of Marigold all summer long. Perennial in warmer climates. Tarragon like flavor makes it a decent substitute for French Tarragon with its licorice like flavor. Use fresh - add to soups, chicken salad, use for tea. Both foliage and flowers are used - let the plant reach a good size before beginning to harvest. Known also as Mexican Tarragon. Also attracts pollinators. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Mister Majestic

This delightful mahogany-on-gold striped marigold is a Scottish heirloom variety. The bushy 10-12 inch tall plants are crowned with masses of bright flowers that if deadheaded, will bloom until frost.

Red Marietta

Very colorful 12 inch plants are covered in flowers all summer. Two inch blooms are red and orange in varied patterns. Use the flowers in salads and to decorate around grilled meat when serving. Beneficial insects love marigolds. You can never have too many! **NEW FOR 2018!**

Tangerine Gem

Lacy, compact and very fragrant, this single flowering marigold is adorable! It is dwarf and easy to fit in containers or small beds amongst vegetables. Plants are covered in edible little tangerine orange blooms that are perfect for throwing on a salad.

Nasturtium

Nasturtium Alaska 'Raspberry'

Lovely variegated foliage on a draping nasturtium are livened up by raspberry jewel tone flowers all summer long. Beloved by bees and delicious for salads and canapes. This is a great plant to tuck into the edges of your garden beds. Place in a hanging basket of edibles and containers on your patio.

Caribbean Cocktail

This peppy mix blends pink, cream, and raspberry red into a carpeting mix perfect for the edges of your veggie garden. Bringing in bumble bees to help pollinate your tomatoes, nasturtiums also offer a tasty addition to your salad mix. Growth tops out at about 12 inches.

Empress of India

Beautiful deep red blossoms set off the blue green foliage on this mounding variety of nasturtium. Flowers and leaves are edible and have a peppery watercress flavor. No summer salad or potluck dish should be served without an adornment of these cheery blooms.

Jewel Mix

These easy-to-grow plants produce colorful double blooms in light yellow, orange and deep red, and bloom until frost. A nice compact nasturtium for smaller yards and flower boxes.

Moonlight

Robust trailing nasturtium can get up to 7 feet long! Covered in glowing creamy yellow flowers. Bumble bees love them and they are tasty used as shells to stuff for summer appetizers. Toss on top of your salad, add to chicken or tuna salad sandwiches. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Trailing

Garden nasturtium is an attractive flowering plant that is commonly grown in as an ornamental. However, the entire plant is also edible. The leaves and flowers are peppery flavored like watercress and are used in salads and as a garnish. The green pods are made into pickles, which are equal to or superior to pickled capers. Nasturtiums originated in South America. Trailing nasturtiums make a great addition to hanging pots!

Nigella

Exotic

This 16 inch tall annual will keep you in a profuse display of delicate and lacy plants with exotic blue flowers during the summer. Tasty as a flower or seed, trim a few to eat, cut some for flower arrangements and leave some to seed and come back next year. The seed pods are also attractive when left to dry.

Persian Jewels

Also called Love-In-a-Mist, Nigella is a beautiful addition to any flower or herb garden. Blue to purple flowers hover in the mist of feathery foliage. Seed pods add interest to dried arrangements while the black seeds have a pungent flavor and can be used in cooking.

Sativa (Black Cumin)

This one foot lacy beauty bears sky blue flowers which are followed by aromatic black seeds. Use as a flavoring for pickles, breads and curries, and even sweet desserts like cakes. Has a nutmeg like taste. Self sows easily or collect the seed and share! Plant in swaths with poppies and flax for a wildflower border on your urban farm.

Sunflower

Lemon Queen

This 8 foot tall beauty has lemon yellow petals with rounded edges and a deep brown center. Sure to draw attention to anyone walking by, the 4 inch blooms are great pollinator magnets. Used historically for The Great Sunflower Project citizen science pollinator watch, you will be entertained by the endless number of insects that will visit on a summer day. Loves the sun, space 12 inches apart.

Mammoth

Fascinating plant for children. Giant plants produce huge flowers and seed heads. Tall plants make excellent summer privacy screen or background plants. Birds love the seeds. Fairly heavy feeder-likes an alkaline soil.

Moulin Rouge

A 4 foot tall branching gem of a sunflower with burgundy red blooms. The 4 inch blooms make great cut flowers as well as bee attractions. Loves the sun, plant 12 inches apart.

Solar Chocolate Gold

A lovely container variety of sunflower with bushy plants growing to two feet tall max. Covered in pollen free flowers that fill a two foot wide swath. The yellow petals and dark brown centers make a strong statement as a containerized planting. Use them on your back deck near your outdoor dining table – no pollen = no bees. **NEW FOR 2018**

Strawberry Blonde

This rose pink beauty of a sunflower grows to 6 feet tall with 6 inch blooms. The lemon and rose pink petals are stunners as cut flowers. Sunflowers are always a great pollinator attractor. Loves the sun, space them 12 inches apart.

Teddy Bear

Lovely double blooms adorn these mini sunflowers at two feet tall on bushy plants. Use for cut flowers, let them grow to attract pollinators and harvest seed at the end of the season. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Viola

Mixed Colors

Cheerful, colorful, edible and fragrant, pansies are a great addition to the spring garden. Tuck into a rockery, use as an edging plant, or in cluster them in containers filled with spring bulbs. Grow a colorful, edible pot full for your special dinner salads.

Sorbet 'Blackberry'

The Sorbet series is more tolerant of heat than other Violas so makes a great addition to a summer garden. 'Blackberry' is a velvety deep dark purple with a tiny yellow eye. Stunning choice for a topping on a white layer cake and tasty in tea sandwiches with cucumbers and cream cheese.

Sorbet 'Coconut Duet'

What a sweet little viola! A bi-color face, purple and white with purple whiskers grace this little gem. As delicious as any viola, this one will shine from your shadier spots this summer. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Sorbet 'Delft Blue'

This Fleuroselect Gold Medal winner is super adaptive for our changeable summer conditions. This little gem has a bright white face rimmed with delft blue edges and wing petals. Super cute in your picnic salad mixed with red butterhead lettuce.

Sorbet 'Raspberry'

Dark eye on a raspberry mauve face - what a sweet Viola! Mix and match with various colors to make a colorful spring display. Great for containers on your front porch - you can pop out and pick a few to toss into your dinner salad. Great for early pollinators and fun for kids to grow. Takes both sun and partial shade.

Sorbet 'Yellow'

What a charmer - a sweet yellow face with burgundy whiskers will greet you from your spring garden each season. Sporting a mounding habit and only six inches high, these are great bedding plants tucked amongst the blooming jonquils and grape hyacinth. Pick a few fresh to top a cake or to add to your sandwich spread. Perennial and long lasting variety.

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

White buds develop into pale blue then bright blue flowers on these perennial lovely plants. Heat tolerant, might need shearing in future years by mid June. Can flower through the winter. Toss them into salad and use to decorate baked goods. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Herbs

Agastache

Licorice Mint

Lovely herbaceous perennial grows to 4' when in flower. Flowers are pale lavender and attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Blooms mid-summer and make good cut flowers. Leaves taste like a combination of mint and licorice and are great for tea or infusing in milk for a tasty anise-vanilla ice cream. Full sun.

Rootbeer Plant

Grows to 2 feet tall and smells like a frosty mug of old fashioned rootbeer. Flowers are apricot-orange and attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Likes hot weather, so grow in a container, against a warm wall or in a super sunny part of your garden.

Amaranth

Love Lies Bleeding

Growing to 5 feet tall the stunning floral display of 'Love Lies Bleeding' makes it worth growing simply for the flowers. But don't stop there! Amaranth is very nutritious as a green and the prolific seed this plant will produce can be collected and used as a cereal grain if you plant a large patch of it. This is also a powerful insect and bird attractor, bringing pollinators closer to your flowering squash and tomato plants.

Artemesia

Sweet Annie

An extremely aromatic herb, Artemesia is wonderful in the garden and as filler for flower arrangements. Plant can grow to 4' and has barely noticeable yellow flowers in the summer. Artemisia annua or Quinghao, has been used for centuries in Chinese medicine. Recently it has been discovered to be an effective anti-malarial drug. Full sun.

Basil

Amethyst

Stunning deep purple, almost black leaf of a Genovese style plant 16-20 inches tall. The curved edge leaves have lots of flavor. Beautiful to tuck into edible ornamental containers on your patio.

Cinnamon

Vigorous growth, with a purplish veining on its leaves, and a distinctive cinnamon scent. Use in Middle Eastern or Greek cuisine and Cinnamon Basil ice cream is to die for! Also a beautiful addition to an ornamental container planting.

Dark Opal

Large deep purple leaves sometimes variegated with green on 18 inch plants. The leaves keep coming all summer long when you pinch out the flowers routinely. A wonderful variety for fresh eating - the dark purple leaves pair beautifully with a tomato and fresh mozzarella salad. Don't forget to eat the flowers too!

Fino Verde

Grows to be a small, dense bush, suitable for containers. The leaves are much smaller than those of most basil. The flavor is similar to that of sweet basil, but somewhat stronger and spicier.

Genovese

Also called Perfumed Basil. Leaves are small and fine with a strong aroma and potency - perfect for pesto! This classic basil is always reliable and does well in the PNW.

Italian Large Leaf

The leaves on this basil can grow to be an impressive 4" long! They can be used as a wrap for a variety of stuffings especially since it is sweeter and therefore milder than other basil. The plant will get 18-24" tall and wide.

Lettuce Leaf

This basil produces large, luscious leaves on a compact, slower-growing plant. Because it grows slowly, it extends the season which means fresh pesto later in the year!

Mrs. Burns Lemon

Here is a bright green basil variety to go with its bright lemon taste! The long leaves make a great choice to julienne and add to a summer salad or cold soup. Grows to 24 inches in height. Pinch and eat the flowers all summer long.

Rosie

Rosie is an improved form of 'Rubin' with strong, upright stems. Intense purple red leaves and a mild delicate basil flavor combine for a winning choice for those who are not fond of the stronger basil tastes. Keep the lavender flowers pinched out and watch this plant bush out for you.

Thai

Strong licorice-anise flavor. 12-18" fine-leafed plant with purple stems, seed heads and flowers. Good container plant as well. 60 days to harvest.

Tulsi or Holy Basil

Holy Basil is a well known sacred plant in the Hindu religion where the leaves and flowers are used in restorative teas. The leaves are sweetly anise scented and fuzzy on smaller plants to 12 inches. Let flowers open fully to use in teas. Then pinch out to keep the plant producing all summer long. The flowers are also attractive to bees.

Bay

Laurus nobilis

Aromatic evergreen that thrives in rich peaty soil. Tender perennial but can grow to 12' in our climate! Leaves used for flavoring spaghetti sauce, stews, and meat dishes.

Catnip

Nepeta cataria

This long-lived perennial herb is used in gardens and landscapes. The leaves are used in salads, sauces, teas, and soups. By the way, cats love it too! (So plant lots!) If you have problems with cats using your beds as litter boxes, plant some catnip on the border and your garden will become a sacred ground rather than a dumping ground!

Cedronella

Balm of Gilead

Grows in sun to part shade. Herbaceous annual plant from the mint family. Used fresh or dried in tea, this plant has an aroma reminiscent of cedar an unusual addition to any herb or veggie garden. Grows to 2-3' with delicate pink flowers in summer.

Chamomile

German - Matricaria recutita

Annual plants that re-seed readily in the garden. Ferny green foliage with tiny, apple-scented, white daisy-like flowers bloom spring through fall. Flowers are harvested for use in teas, baths and hair rinses to bring out blonde highlights. An excellent companion plant in the vegetable garden. A tea of chamomile applied to seedlings is said to prevent damping-off disease.

Roman - Anthemis nobilis

Low growing perennial herb that can double as a groundcover in your garden. This Chamomile is loved for its medicinal properties in the sunny yellow eyed, white petaled flowers. Thrives in dry and sandy soil - blooms in late spring. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Chervil

Anthriscus cerefolium

Chervil is a perennial that grows to a height of 20 inches with a spread off about 8 inches. It blooms in mid-summer, producing flat umbels of tiny white flowers. The entire plant is edible and tastes reminiscent of celery. It goes with many dishes, and you can use the hollow stems as straws! It has become one of the classic herbs used in French cookery.

Chives

Garlic Chives

A flat-leafed variety of chives with the rich flavor of garlic. Attractive white flowers and the robust leaves are edible. Good attractor for pollinators.

Cilantro

Calypso

This super leafy, slow bolting cilantro will keep you happily fed with extended summer harvests. Grows to about a foot high and a little wider, loves the sun and is a great choice to tuck into pockets in the veggie garden. Plant starts and follow with seed in other pockets to keep the harvest rolling. Use the cut and come again approach to keep it producing but don't be afraid to let a few go to flower! The flowers are magnets for parasitoid wasps which will take care of the aphids in your garden. The seeds that develop are coriander and are delicious to collect to use for cold weather curries and holiday baking.

Confetti

This variety of cilantro imparts a more subtle flavor to your salsas and burritos than other types. Harvest quick growing greens for or let it go to seed and collect some for your own coriander. Leave some to regrow multiple crops. The flowers are attractive to pollinators.

Cruiser

A cilantro with a tidy, upright growth form with strong stems and large fragrant leaves. Bolt resistant. Mix and match with other varieties for a slightly different harvest season. Let some flower and attract beneficial insects to the garden. Harvest seeds for Coriander. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Santo

Both seed (coriander) and leaves (cilantro) are used in numerous cuisines from around the world. Often associated with Mexican dishes, this strong scented herb grows out with flat, toothed leaves for chopping into salsas and other preparations. Easy to grow and tolerant of cooler conditions.

Comfrey

Symphytum officinale

Comfrey is used today in lip balms and topical creams due to its healing properties. In the garden comfrey is valued as a biomass crop because it can be cut to the ground several times a year and the large leaves are an excellent mulch or compost addition. Comfrey is very difficult to remove once established and can reseed easily. Comfrey is best planted in an area of the garden that is rarely used like the back fence or near the garbage cans!

Curry Plant

Helichrysum italicum

Grows to 2' with tiny, yellow flowers in summer. Curry plant is not considered a culinary herb, as it does not taste as good as it smells. When brushed, the leaves release a strong curry scent, reminiscent of your favorite curry dishes! Extremely drought tolerant.

Dill

Bouquet

This graceful annual grows to 2 feet tall and is covered in insect attracting umbels of yellow flowers. Use the heavenly scented leaves in fresh summer recipes. Large flower heads will net you abundant seeds for pickling later in the season. Plant in well drained organic soil.

Fern Leaf

Great herb for fish! Use the entire plant. Attracts ladybugs and hover flies to the garden. Short-lived annual. Save the seed or allow to self sow in the garden for future plantings.

Epazote

Dysphania ambrosioides

Epazote is native to Central and South America and popular used in Mexican dishes. A savory herb said to relieve some of the 'gassy' properties of beans if thrown in the pot while cooking. Can also be used as a vermifuge. Leaves dry well for winter use. Grows up to 3' tall and is considered an annual in our climate.

Feverfew

Golden

Single white daisy-like flowers are produced all season. Its golden leaves make it an attractive edging plant. Rumored to ease the pain of migraine headaches. Prefers full sun. Height 16-24". Attracts ladybugs.

Hops

Cascade

Deciduous perennial vine growing to 25' annually. Young shoots can be eaten like asparagus and dried flowers are used to brew beer. Cascade hops impart a citrus-floral aroma to beer and is used in popular beers such as Sierra Nevada Pale Ale and my favorite, Mirror Pond Pale Ale, by the Deschutes Brewing Company. If you are a homebrewer you've likely noticed hop prices have recently skyrocketed. All the more reason to grow your own!

Centennial

Deciduous perennial vine growing to 25' annually. Young shoots can be eaten like asparagus and dried flowers are used to brew beer. A medium-high alpha acid (about 10%) bittering hop reminiscent of Cascade but without the floral aroma. Developed by WSU Prosser in the 1990s and named for Washington State's centennial celebration, Centennial hops are designed to be used as both an aroma and bittering hop and lend the citrus bite we love in our Pale Ales, IPAs and Imperial IPAs.

Columbus

Deciduous perennial vine. A dual purpose choice for Northwest brewers, these hops can be used for aroma or bittering in your home brews. Imparts a bit of a citrus note to your beer. Can be used as a single hop or combined.

Golden

Deciduous perennial vine. A vigorous vine grown as an ingredient for beer or simply for its attractive golden-shaded leaves. Perfect for screening an area instantly. It will die back to the ground each fall so you can safely trim back all growth that year. The cones or fruit are bright green and hang down all over the vine in clusters. The vine will grow 20 feet in a season so be sure you have the room.

Golding

Deciduous perennial vine. Young shoots can be eaten like asparagus and dried flowers are used to brew beer. Originating from English aroma varieties cultivated since 1790. Golding comes from the Canterbury strain - named for the region in England. Small moderate size cones with delicate and sweet floral notes.

Mt. Hood

Deciduous perennial vine. This is a hybrid of the classic German 'Hallertau' with similar aroma. Young shoots can be eaten like asparagus and dried flowers are used to brew beer. It has been described as a foresty hops, good for earthy overtones.

Willamette

Deciduous perennial vine growing to 25' annually. Young shoots can be eaten like asparagus and dried flowers are used to brew beer. Willamette is a triploid aroma-type hop and is very popular for making ales and lagers. Alpha acids are 4 - 6%, which gives your brew the hop flavor with only moderate bitterness.

Horseradish

Armoracia rusticana

Perennial. Grows to 2' tall and 18" wide. Leaves are spear-shaped and crinkly and grow from the root each spring. To harvest the root, dig in fall. Be sure to replant some of the root to ensure a harvest for the following year's harvest. Horseradish is an excellent companion to potatoes.

Hyssop

Hyssopus officinalis

This decorative and long-lasting perennial herb has been widely used since ancient times. The plant grows 2 feet tall and spreads about a foot. The purple-blue flowers are about an inch long and are carried in long, narrow spikes. All parts of the plant give off a strong aroma. Leaves have a slightly bitter, minty taste. A few leaves can be used in savory dishes such as rich stews and in marinades. Flowers can be used as an attractive garnish and in salads.

Lavender - English

Hidcote Pink

A lavender that is actually pink! Slender, delicate flowers are perfect for dried flower arrangements. Plants grow more open unless they are trimmed right after blooming. Very low maintenance and grows 2' by 2'.

Munstead

The classic English variety, this is a great lavender to use for dry flowers and herbal concoctions. Compact in nature with small leaves, Munstead flowers early and is very aromatic. Plant in loose, well-drained soil in full sun.

Royal Purple

Striking long stemmed flowers on silver-green foliage makes this a stand out in any garden setting. The purple flowers open from a deep purple calyx. Great for a focus plant in a potted garden combined with trailing white Alyssum. Grow 3' by 3' for a nice rounded shrub. Try the flowers in a baked custard as a sweet dessert. All lavenders appreciate good drainage.

Silver Frost

This English Lavender has intense silver foliage with deep purple-violet flowers sure to brighten your garden. The flowers are strongly scented and sweet - great for sachets, lemonade and as a tasty addition to cookies or ice cream. Introduced by Hevelingen Herb in Oregon. The silvery leaves help make this a great drought tolerant plant, once established.

Twickel Purple

Lovely deep mauve flower spikes fan out on 3' by 3' plants. A great addition to the vegetable garden where pollinators will move easily from the lavender flowers to your squash and tomatoes as they forage. June blooming and one of the most cold-resistant plants. One of the oldest lavender varieties originating from the Twickel Castle in Holland. All lavenders appreciate good drainage.

Lavender - French

Edelweiss

A white flowering form with a good fragrance, this French form is a bit wider than 'Grosso' growing to 24 inches high. Buds have a slight pinkish purple blush but they open to a clean white. Great for gathering fresh or for making wands interwoven with other purple long stemmed lavenders. Great for beneficial insects too!

Goodwin Creek

Large, gray/green fuzzy foliage on a rather large plant which reaches 3' x 4' at maturity. Blooms freely; long lavender wands carry small, very dark purple flowers nearly year round!

Grosso

A popular variety with fat flower spikes on long stems makes this choice great for dried flower arrangements. With its mounding and spreading form it makes a fragrant and attractive hedge around the vegetable garden. Highly attractive to pollinators and other beneficial insects. All lavenders appreciate good drainage.

Provence

One of the most popular lavenders, this long spiked, long flowered beauty is perfect for making wands. Strips easily from the stem for collecting flowers for sachets. Long bloom time through mid-summer. Highly attractive to pollinators and other beneficial insects. Interplant into your vegetable beds as a permanent planting.

Lavender - Spanish

Otto Quast

This lavender is hardier than most of the other Spanish varieties. The adorable flower stalks have an unusual bract with a closed 'cob'-like look and a few open flowers bursting from the top. The fragrance is not as powerful as other types, but the charming flowers make up for it. All lavenders appreciate good drainage.

Lemon Balm

Melissa officinalis

Wonderful lemon-scented herb used in teas or fresh bouquets. Attracts beneficial insects and is a must for the organic garden. Spreads by underground runners and is best grown where it can be contained! Make sure to cut back the plant after flowering but before the seed matures to prevent reseeding.

Lemon Grass

Cymbopogon flexuosus

Lemongrass is an ingredient often used in southeast Asian and Indian recipes. Grows vigorously in full sun, but is not frost tolerant. The long blades can reach 3' tall in a season and are really stunning in a container planting. Oddly enough, lemon grass is very popular with cats who like to chew on the leaves.

Lemon Verbena

Aloysia triphylla

Tender perennial, grow in protected area. Delicious lemon scented leaves can be used in iced drinks, sorbet, and candied for cake decorations. This plant is by far the lemoniest of them all! Open growth habit with open white clusters of flowers in summer. Full sun, good drainage.

Lovage

Levisticum officinale

With a flavor much like celery, lovage makes a dramatic impact in the garden with its glossy green leaves. Umbel-shaped flowers bloom mid summer. Seeds can be dried and used like celery seed. This perennial herb grows in both full sun to part shade to 5'. Lovage is one of the most versatile and under-utilized herbs in the kitchen. Leaves can flavor stocks, hollow stems make cool straws for Bloody Marys and seeds are great for adding flavor to pickles! Plus, it grows well in the marginal, semi-shady parts of the garden and blends well with ornamentals and edibles.

Marjoram

Sweet

Grows to 12", slowly spreading by creeping roots and stems. Marjoram is sometimes overlooked as an important culinary herb. With a flavor similar to oregano but much sweeter and subtler, it can be used in similar dishes. Very good with fish and meats. Its subtle flavor can be lost with cooking, so add to dishes towards the end of cooking time.

Zaatar

This Mediterranean native has a semi upright habit and thrives in a sunny well drained site. Can be tender in prolonged freezing temperatures. The flavor profile combines oregano, marjoram and thyme but don't confuse this with Z'atar, a Middle Eastern spice mixture. Let some of it flower to attract pollinators to your garden.

Mint

Berries & Crème

Dark green rounded leaves that form a compact plant. Best to grow in a pot to keep in bounds. Flavor of leaves is minty with hints of fruit.

Chocolate Peppermint

Bronzy foliage with a surprising, fresh chocolate scent and flavor. 24" tall, partial shade to full sun. Mint should be potted unless you want it to naturalize.

Ginger

Green and yellow variegated leaves with a spicy ginger scent. This mint grows best in shady areas and is a stunning addition to mixed containers.

Grapefruit

A yummy citrus-scented mint with large, fuzzy leaves. Flowers are also highly scented and edible. Attracts beneficial insects to the garden, but spreads vigorously so be careful!

Julep

Spreading perennial with green leaves and spearmint scent and flavor. Excellent for making summer mint juleps and mojitos! Attracts beneficial insects. Spreads by underground runners and should be planted where it can be contained.

Mojito

The quintessential mojito mint with a sweet, warm flavor. Vigorous plants with bright white flowers are great for large potted gardens. Keep moist for best growth.

Moroccan Mint

A variety of peppermint especially good for tea. Also great used in Mediterranean and Moroccan dishes like couscous, tagines and yogurt sauces.

Peppermint Candy

A spreading perennial with mint-flavored leaves. Dense clusters of white flowers in summer. Preferred variety for peppermint flavoring in cooking. Spreads by underground runners and should be planted where it can be contained.

Orange

Bronze-green round leaves and blue flowers give off a strong citrus-mint scent and flavor similar to bergamot. Throw some leaves into your sun tea for a treat. Prefers moist soil and part shade.

Spearmint

Sweet-smelling and prolific, spearmint has a wide range of uses and is preferred for Mojitos and Mint Juleps. Excellent landscape plant with pink flowers. Spreads aggressively. Attracts beneficial insects.

Motherwort

Leonurus cardiaca

Make space for a Motherwort plant in your herbal garden. This perennial, mint family relative can grow to five feet tall and two feet wide and makes a striking statement with its oak shaped, alternating leaves. Flowers appear in whorls amongst the leaves at the tops of the stems, a pale pink-purple in summer months. Fresh or dried flowers can be used to make a tea, added as a flavoring to beer or as a flavoring in split pea and lentil soups. Prefers semi-moist and partially shady garden beds.

Oregano

Greek

True oregano with a wonderful spicy flavor. Tiny white flowers and is very hardy when established. Great plant for attracting beneficial insects!

Italian

Italian oregano is a bit spicier than Greek Oregano, with sweet overtones of its cousin, Sweet Marjoram. Plant strategically in the veggie garden to bring in the pollinators.

Parsley

Curly

Short-stemmed parsley with curly leaves. Nutritious raw or as a seasoning. A biennial, it grows best in full sun and well-drained soil.

Giant Italian

Flat and deeply cut leaves on stocky stems. Aromatic flavor makes it the best parsley for drying. It grows best in full sun and well-drained soil. Expect this plant to reach at least 20 inches tall and as a biennial look for flowers and seed in the second year. You can let it self sow for continuous crops over the years.

Rau Ram

Vietnamese Corriander

Vietnamese coriander is a perennial herb used in Southeast Asian cooking. Other English names for the herb include Vietnamese mint, Vietnamese cilantro, Cambodian mint and hot mint. Grows best in sunny, damp conditions. The top of its leaf is dark green, with chestnut-colored spots while the leaf's bottom is burgundy red.

Rosemary

Arp

Sun, well-drained soil, low water use. Airy green-gray foliage with pale blue flowers that bloom mid-summer to fall. A classic culinary variety. Slight lemon flavor to leaves. Grows to 4ft.

Barbeque

Very upright, can grow to 4-6 ft tall, but takes to pruning well. Great rosemary flavor, use the stalks as skewers for grilling. Prefers full sun and well-drained soil. Blooms blue in early spring.

Hill Hardy

Irregular branching rosemary growing 3 feet wide and tall. Blooms in early to mid spring with light blue flowers, attractive to early pollinators. Drought resistant and hardy to cold temperatures - don't pamper this plant! **NEW FOR 2018!**

Santa Barbara

Perennial. A prostrate form of Rosemary with dark blue flowers in early spring. Upright growth combined with low sweeping prostrate form makes this a great plant for covering a swath of ground. Great choice for topiaries and excellent culinary variety. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Tuscan Blue

Sun, well drained soil, low water use. Blossoms of a delicate pale blue. Fine leaves with a distinct pine scent. Hardy to 10 degrees F.

Sage

Berggarten

Known all over the world as a choice culinary strain, Berggarten is a vigorous low-growing sage. Each 12 inch plant will reward you with large blue-gray leaves and an intoxicating aroma.

Garden

With its lemony-camphor fragrance and delicate blue flowers, *Salvia officinalis* is an important part of any kitchen garden. A shrubby evergreen perennial, it has strongly textured velvety gray green leaves that last all year long. Grow in well draining soil in full sun. Stems become woody as the plant matures.

Golden

Brightly variegated gold and green leaves, hardy and compact plant to 18". Use as a culinary and an ornamental plant. Hardy to 20F, appreciates great drainage, full sun.

Tricolor

Tricolor sage has somewhat broad leaves with green centers with white and purple edges. Same growth habit and taste as common sage. Full sun.

Salad Burnet

Sanguisorba minor

An herbaceous perennial with cucumber-flavored leaves, salad burnet is a must for any salad! This low-growing herb has unusual red ball-shaped flowers. Salad burnet is drought tolerant once established and grows in full sun to part shade.

Savory

Summer

A tender annual that grows up to 18 inches tall. It has small bronze-green leaves and very small white or lavender flowers. Summer savory is sweeter and has a more delicate aroma than winter savory. Summer savory is a characteristic ingredient in herbes de Provence, it is also widely used as a seasoning for grilled meats and barbecues, as well as in stews and sauces.

Winter

Perennial cousin to summer savory with thicker and shinier leaves. Flavor is more pungent and biting. Essential oils are antifungal, anti-bacterial, and antioxidant. Small, white flowers mid-summer.

Scented Geraniums

Attar of Roses

Rose-scented leaves and clusters of pale pink flowers cover the plant in late summer. Flowers are great for candying. The flowers make attractive confetti when used in sorbets and jellies. Tender plant.

Coconut

The small, rounded leaves have crinkly edges and form a dense mound. The fragrance is coconut. Small, lavender flowers bloom in clusters. To 1 ft tall. Tender plant

Ginger

Soft ruffled leaves and tiny rose colored flowers grace this scented beauty. Growing to about 2 feet tall the ginger scented leaves make a wonderful addition to iced teas and for scenting sugar for desserts. Plant it in a sunny spot; great for pots!

Lemon

These tiny curled leaves have a bright lemon scent and are great for adding to cold summer drinks. Pretty sugared and placed on desserts too. Growing to about 3 feet tall with a narrow habit, great for pots, window boxes and mixing into the veggie garden. Small purple-pink flowers bloom for many months.

Nutmeg

One of the hardier of the scented Geraniums 'Nutmeg' can often survive northwest winters, especially when protected from colder winds. Sprays of tiny white flowers against the small wavy leaves are decorative as well as tasty. Pot them up for a sunny porch where you sit and have your morning tea. The spicy fragrance will be a welcome morning greeting.

Prince Rupert Lemon

Variegated upright scented geranium that smells of lemon. With crinkly leaves and soft pink flowers, a winner in a pot! Tender plant.

Old Fashioned Rose

Deeply cut and crinkly leaves on a robust and full plant are strongly rose perfumed. The heady fragrance is emitted when you pick the leaves or brush against the plant so place it where you can interact with it! Small pale pink flowers decorate the plant all summer if you keep the fading flowers deadheaded. Toss a few leaves or flowers into lemonade, water or even hot tea to drink in the delightful summer fragrance.

Sweet Mimosa

Strongly fragrant, place this beauty where the scent will wander into your home on a summer afternoon. Large lavender-pink flowers with dark pink stamen make this geranium a rival for any zonal type you might grow. 1 - 2 feet tall and equally wide.

Sorrel

French

French Sorrel is a perennial that grows in a leafy clump. It has a faint taste of lemon and is full of vitamin C, A, and iron. A perennial, it grows to 18 inches and has medium-green, thick, large spinach-like leaves. French Sorrel likes moist, but well draining soils and will grow in part shade as well as full sun.

Garden Sorrel

Large-leafed greens have a very sour, lemon flavor. Delicious in soups and salads, high in vitamin C. Grows well in sun or part shade. Very drought tolerant. An all-time kid favorite!

Stevia

Stevia rebaudiana

Also called Sweet Herb of Paraguay, Stevia is probably the sweetest plant in the world. It contains steviaside, which is 300 times sweeter than sugar without the calories! Perfect for iced tea, or leaves can be dried, ground, and added to recipes. Full sun, tender perennial, mulch in winter.

Thyme

English

Essential to every herb garden, this small, upright shrub is the classic culinary variety. Strongly aromatic in the garden, its flowers attract many honeybees. Full sun, sharp drainage.

Golden Variegated

Low-growing herb to 10 - 12". White and green leaves. Lemon scent is less pronounced than in lemon thyme, but is definitely lemony. Very attractive in the herb garden, lavender flowers in the summer bring the honeybees!

Lemon

Glossy green foliage with a strong lemon scent. Similar growth habit to English thyme. Lavender-pink flowers in early summer attract bees and other beneficial insects to your garden.

Lime

Growing to a low mounding height of six inches, Lime Thyme can double as a groundcover in your perennial edible garden. It has a delicate citrus overtone and is an ace at attracting beneficials and bees to its light pink flowers in the late spring.

Valerian

Valeriana officinalis

A lovely hardy perennial with ferny leaves and white flower heads with a pink tinge. The flowers have a nice smell, but the rest of the plant smells fetid. The roots are used to make a tea effective for insomnia. Valerian doesn't taste good by itself, so mix it with a lemony tea.

Pollinator Plants

Beach Strawberry

Fragaria chiloensis

Perennial spreading groundcover for sunny areas. Grows up to ten inches in height and spreads by runners. Lovely dark green leaves with silvery undersides. Half inch juicy and flavorful fruits develop after flowering April through June. Don't pamper these little plants - they like sun and sandy soil. Sara Orangetip butterflies are attracted to the flowers and many ground feeding birds eat the fruit. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Broadleaf Lupine

Lupinus latifolius

A perennial native Lupine that will cheer up your garden in late spring. The lavender blue and white flowers will fade to magenta as they mature. Grows from 2 - 4 feet high and loves the sun. Put it where the light colored flowers will stand out and where the pollinators and hummingbirds can find it!

Cascade Penstemon

Penstemon serrulatus

This lowland PNW native perennial has purple trumpet shaped flowers on 3 foot plants. Tolerates both moist and dry sites, loves sun and will bring many bees and humminbirds into the garden. **NEW FOR 2018!**

Checkermallow

Sidalcea hendersonii

Native dark pink flowered perennial - commonly found in wetland areas. Include in boggy parts of the garden or in pots where you can control the moisture levels. Loves sun. Can grow to 5 feet high when in flower. Flowers all summer long. Beautiful blended with other moist soil loving perennials. Attractive to bees, butterflies and other beneficial insects.

Coast Gumweed

Grindelia integrifolia

A perennial native, this little gem is found in wet meadows and coastal hillsides throughout the west coast. Adapted to our dry summer, drought tolerant once established. Blooming in summer, the bright yellow flowers are sported on grey green shrubby growth each year. Bees love them!

Columbine

Aquilegia formosa

This self seeding perennial is a northwest native, familiar to summer hikers, especially around stream banks. Sweet red and golden flowers with backward spreading sepals face downward on wiry stems. Delicate in appearance it packs a big punch when it comes to attracting native pollinators. Very attractive to hummingbirds, bees and butterflies. Finches and sparrows make use of the seeds. Let it self sow to increase their spread in the garden. They will pop up in little nooks and crannies!

Sage

Golden Delicious Pineapple

Great for containers or in the garden, the bright yellow-green foliage looks good all season and smells good, too. In the fall, bright-red hummingbird-magnet flowers appear, making this plant a real eye-popper. Full sun, tender perennial.

Red Sage

This Red Sage is also known as Purple Garden Sage and can be used just like regular Garden Sage. It rarely flowers which helps to keep it at a moderate height and less prone to open woody centers. It looks great planted with gray leaved plants like Lavender. In fact, the two together make a great after shave!

Tangerine

Delicious tangerine-scented fuzzy green leaves grow on this upright plant. Similar in growth habit to pineapple sage. Full sun, tender perennial.

Showy Fleabane

Erigeron speciosus

These showy little perennials steal the show in mid-summer when their vibrant lavender flowers with yellow centers are in full bloom. Long flower stems over small plants fit in well in any landscape as well as your edible garden. Self sowing, look for more next year. Very attractive to butterflies, bees and birds.

Tufted Hairgrass

Deschampsia cespitosa

Perennial native grass. Well adapted to moist soils, Tufted Hair Grass is a great addition to raingardens and boggy soils in your landscape. Tall seed heads over deep green mounding leaves. Good for stabilizing streambanks too. Larval food plant for native butterflies and moths. Provides shelter and some food value for small birds and mammals and great cover for beneficial insects.

Yarrow

Achillea millefolium

Creeping perennial herb with feathery leaves and white flowers held in an umbel over the foliage. Pungent fragrance can aid as an insect repellent. The flowers are especially attractive to parasitoid wasps, lady beetles and hoverflies which will make short work of the bad bugs in your garden. Also attractive to foraging bees, aiding in pollination of your fruiting plants. Place in a sunny spot with good drainage and do not over-fertilize.

UNAVAILABLE PLANTS

Bachelor Buttons - Polka Dot

Bellis Strawberries & Cream, Tasso Red

Marigold - Kilimanjaro White

Chives - Garden Chives