

# Wild Bergamot



## *Monarda fistulosa*

Beautiful, aromatic native wildflower with high value to pollinators, birds, and herbalists. Try with Little Bluestem, Threadleaf Coreopsis, and Baptisia



Wild Bergamot is an aromatic herb useful in teas, cooking and baking, and in medicinal preparations. Its showy flowers make it an excellent addition to herb gardens, naturalized areas, rain gardens and perennial borders

Wild Bergamot is a long lived perennial with multiseason interest. Beneficial insects and hummingbirds love the flowers, birds, including showy goldfinches, eat the seeds, and the dried seed heads bring interest to the winter garden.

- highly deer resistant,
- drought tolerant,
- clay adapted,
- does get mildew on the leaves, but more resistant than other monardas
- Best in full sun to light shade.
- Specialist bee plants

Grows 3-4 feet tall. Spreads slowly and benefits from division every few years.

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