

# Common Name: Basil, Aussie Purple

Botanical Name: *Ocimum basilicum*



- **Type:** Annual
- **Height:** 30 – 36 in.
- **Width:** 12 in.
- **Habit:** Columnar
- **Flower:** Mulberry-purple
- **Bloom Season:** Mid to late summer
- **Foliage:** Purple and green streaked
- **Flavor:** Mild, sweet
- **Fragrance:** Anise or licorice-like
- **Sun:** Full to partial shade
- **Soil:** Warm soil with a bit of compost
- **Water:** Average to slightly moist
- **Tolerant:** Deer
- **Resistant:** Resist going to seed
- **Attracts:** Butterflies, bees 
- **Uses:** Great in containers, fragrance garden, cut foliage, pesto, garnish, salad (leaves & flowers), on sandwiches, in dressings, & hearty soup.
- **Harvesting:** Frequent pruning, including removal of flower stalks, encourages new leaf growth, more branching & discourages flowering.

