



# Common Name: Basil, Holy Sanctum (Tulsi)

Botanical Name: *Ocimum sanctum* 'Holy Red/Green'



- **Type:** Annual
- **Height:** 16 – 24 in.
- **Width:** 12 - 16 in.
- **Habit:** Upright
- **Flower:** White with a hint of lavender
- **Bloom Season:** NA
- **Foliage:** Green to reddish, slightly fuzzy
- **Flavor:** Strong
- **Fragrance:** Light, musky scent with a hint of mint & cloves
- **Sun:** Full to partial shade
- **Soil:** Warm soil with a bit of compost
- **Water:** Average to slightly moist
- **Tolerant:** Deer
- **Resistant:**
- **Attracts:** Butterflies, bees  
- **Uses:** Containers, fragrance garden, salad, Thai food, herbal tea, adaptogen, anti-inflammatory & antioxidant, claimed to promote healing of viral infections, sacred herb in the Hindu religion
- **Harvesting:** Frequent pruning, including removal of flower stalks, encourages new leaf growth, more branching & discourages flowering.

