



# Common Name: Basil, 'Napoletano' (Lettuce Leaf)

## Botanical Name: *Ocimum basilicum* var. *Napoletano*



- **Type:** Annual
- **Height:** 14 – 18 in.
- **Width:** 12 in.
- **Habit:** Upright
- **Flower:** White
- **Bloom Season:** Mid – late summer
- **Foliage:** Green, wrinkly lettuce –like look
- **Flavor:** Mild, sweet flavor
- **Fragrance:** Sweet
- **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, pesto, salad, sandwiches, fresh tomatoes, Asian, Greek, Italian dishes
- **Harvesting:** Frequent pruning, including removal of flower stalks, encourages new leaf growth, more branching & discourages flowering. Best to harvest just before you use the leaves.

