

Monarda fistulosa • wild bergamot

FOR GENERAL GROWING NOTES SEE "GENERAL GROWING PROTOCOLS" CARD

PLANT CHARACTERISTICS: light purple blooms. H= 2-4' Spread 2-3'

DESIRED SITE LOCATION & SPACING:

- full sun to part shade
- dry to medium soil
- drought tolerance = medium
- 10" between plants and rows (recommended spacing (18-24")

ECOLOGICAL BENEFITS:

- Wildlife: birds, butterflies and hummingbirds, special value to bumble bees
- Conspicuous Flowers: yes
- Attracts: butterflies and moths
- Nectar Source: yes





Seed Stratification Seed-Sow to Finished Plug Outplanting Flowering Period cool and moist, 30 – 60 days February to mid-May (14 weeks) late May - June July - August

SOWING & SEED DEPTH:

- Sow 3 seeds per cell; cover with media equal to thickness of the seed

SEED COLLECTION:

- September
- harvest only top portion of stem with seed heads, leaving the remaining stem for overwintering insects
- compact seed heads contain many seeds
- hang seed heads upside down over a bin lined with paper to catch falling seed
- once dry, rub lightly and shake seeds out

PESTS & DISEASE: monitor for powdery mildew

