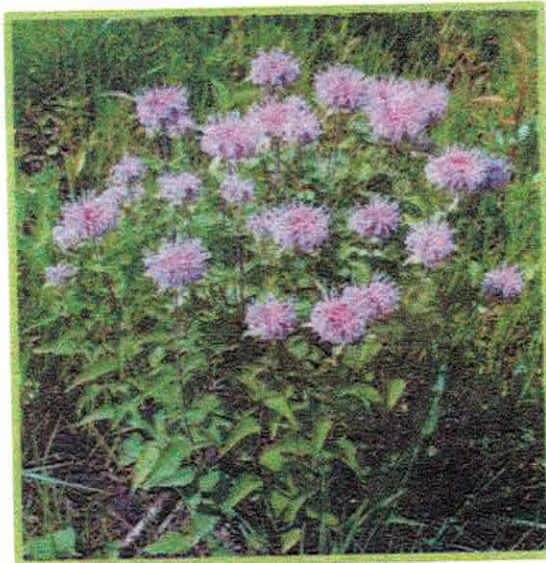


Monarda fistulosa

Common Name: Wild Bergamot

Monarda fistulosa has a lovely violet blossom and distinctively aromatic foliage. It is a familiar component of prairie and savanna communities on all but the wettest of soils. It is often cited for its historical medicinal applications among indigenous people. These include poultices for boils and lacerations, as well as tea infusions for headaches, indigestion and colds and flu. Wild Bergamot provides the characteristic aroma of Earl Grey tea and is a favorite of butterflies, bees and hummingbirds. Its species name, fistulosa, refers to the tube-like structure of its blossoms, which appear from July through September.



Plant Details:

Monarda fistulosa

Soil Type:

Dry, Dry Mesic, Mesic, Moist

Exposure:

Full Sun, Partial Shade

Bloom Period:

Summer

General Information:

Mature Height: 2 Feet

Mature Width: 2 Feet

Butterfly Host: Yes

Flower Color: Lavender/ Pink

Fall Color: Yellow Orange