

Common Name	Genus/Species	Height	Spread	Sun/shade	Information	
Aloe Vera	Aloe vera	18–24" high	6–12" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Sap is used medicinally	Good for pots and indoors
Anise Hyssop	Agastache foeniculum	24–48" high	18–36" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Mint–like fragrance	Good nectar plant
Anise Hyssop	Agastache aurantiaca 'Apricot Sprite'	18-24" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	This hyssop tolerates more summer water than other species.	Prefers a sunny situation with moderately moist, fertile soil.
Basil Genovese	Ocimum basilicum	18–24" high	12–15" spread	Full Sun	Best taste occurs in leaves before the plant bears flowers	
Basil Lettuce Leaf	Ocimum basilicum	24" high	12–15" spread	Full Sun		
Basil Spicy Globe	Ocimum basilicum	12" high	12" spread	Full Sun	Leaves are small and taste is slightly sharper than Genovese Basil	
Basil, African Blue	Ocimum basilicum	18–24" high		Full Sun	Use in potpourri	
Basil, Amethyst	Ocimum basilicum	18" high	12–15" spread	Full Sun	Best taste occurs in leaves before the plant bears flowers	
Basil, Greek Columnar	Ocimum basilicum	30" high	12" spread	Full Sun	Grows in a columnar shape	
Basil, Mrs. Burns Lemon	Ocimum basilicum	12-18" high	10" spread	Full Sun	It has an intense lemon flavor and fragrance, which makes it particularly good in vinegar, with fish, salad dressings, sauces and oils.	Great in pesto and other standard basil dishes.
Basil, Red Lettuce Leaf	Ocimum basilicum	12-18" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun	The leaves are large enough to use as wraps.	
Basil, Thai Queenette	Ocimum basilicum	15" high	12" spread	Full Sun		
Basil, Variegated Greek Columnar	Ocimum basilicum	30" high	12" spread	Full Sun	Grows in a columnar shape	Has variegated leaves
Bergamot, Eastern	Monarda bradburniana	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Tolerates somewhat poor soils and some drought. Deadhead flowers to prolong summer bloom. Tends to self-seed.	Plants need good air circulation.
Bloodflower or Milkweed	Asclepias curassavica	24-36" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun	The red-orange flowers are very showy.	This may be planted in containers and over-wintered in a sunny window.
Blue False Indigo	Baptista australis	36-48" high	36-48" spread	Full Sun	Tolerates drought and poor soils.	Stems with seed pods are valued additions to dried flower arrangements.
Borage	Borago officinalis	12–36" high	9–18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Young leaves are prepared similarly to spinach	
Brown-Eyed Susan	Rudbeckia triloba	24-36" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun	Plants may need support if grown in part shade. Deadhead to encourage more blooms. Plants freely self-seed and will usually remain in the garden and naturalize through self-seeding.	Tolerates heat, some drought and a wide range of soils.
Burnet	Sanguisorba minor	9–24" high	12–24" spread	Full Sun	Grows in average, well–drained soils and is not drought tolerant	Will freely self–seed, so remove flower stalks after bloom
Butterfly Weed	Asclepias tuberosa	12-30" high	12-18" spread			
Catnip	Nepeta cataria	24–36" high	24–36" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Grows in a spreading clump. Most similar plants are called catmint. This species can spread, so deadhead after blooms fade	Has small white flowers

Celosia, Feather	Celosia argentea (Plumosa Group) Castle Mix			Full Sun	It is easily grown in humusy, moderately fertile, consistently moist, well-drained soils in full sun. The flowers dry well and hold their color.	Tolerates light shade and dry soils and thrives in hot and humid St. Louis summers.
Chamomile, Roman	Chamaemelum nobile	3–6" high	6–12" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Likes sandy soils. Has daisy–like flowers. Is perennial or will readily self–seed	Will naturalize an area and is a good lawn substitute
Chives	Allium schoenoprasum	12–18" high	12–18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Forms dense clumps which are easily divided in spring or autumn. Cut leaves at base	Will self–seed and spread unless deadheaded
Cilantro	Coriandrum sativum	18–24" high	12–18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Has white, pinkish or lavender blooms	Seeds are the herb called coriander while leaves are the herb cilantro
Comfrey	Symphytum officinale	12–36" high	9–30" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Is considered dangerous when ingested	Is used for ornamental purposes
Coneflower	Echinacea purpurea	24–60" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Will self-seed unless deadheaded, however seed heads attract birds	
Coneflower, Tennessee	Echinacea tennesseensis	18-24" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	A daisy-like coneflower which features slightly upturned, rose-purple petals (ray flowers) and spiny, coppery center disks with a green tinge.	It is a U.S. native plant that is only known to exist naturally on certain glades near Nashville, Tennessee, and is on the Federal Endangered Species List. Long summer bloom period from June until August.
Coneflower, Yellow	Echinacea paradoxa	24-36" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	The only coneflower to have yellow, rather than purple flowers. Plants usually re-bloom without deadheading, however prompt removal of spent flowers improves general appearance.	Easily grown in average, dry to medium, well-drained soil in full sun. May self-seed if at least some of the seed heads are left in place. Goldfinches love the seeds of the spent flowers.
Dianthus, Cheddar Pink	Dianthus gratianopolitanus 'Firewitch'	4-6" high	6-12" spread		This hybrid tolerates heat and humidity (as well as some drought) better than most species of dianthus. Firewitch produces numerous, scented, bright magenta flowers singly atop wiry stems (to 6" tall) arising from tufted mounds of grassy, deep blue, linear foliage.	Blooms in spring with some intermittent repeat bloom in summer; remove spent flowers to promote continued bloom. Avoid planting in areas with poor drainage where crowns will remain wet in winter.
Dill, Bouquet	Anethum graveolens 'Bouquet'	24-36" high	12" spread	Full Sun	It prefers full sun and heavy water.	If it likes where it is, it can reseed prolifically.
Dill, Fernleaf	Anethum graveolens 'Fernleaf'	18–24" high	12–15" spread	Full Sun	Very easily self sows	If growing for seeds then be diligent in harvesting the seeds before they spread
Dwarf Curry plant	Helichrysum angustifolium	18" high	18" spread	Full Sun	It is called the curry plant because its leaves have a strong scent of curry. However, it is not used in making curry powder!	
Eucalyptus, Silver Dollar	Eucalyptus cinerea	12–120" high	12–48" spread	Full Sun	Pruning is necessary. Has strong lemon scented foliage	It will not survive winter temperatures
Fennel, Bronze	Foeniculum vulgare 'Purpureum'	36–60" high	24–36" spread	Full Sun	Upright, branching habit noted for purple–bronze foliage and tiny yellow flowers	Is a larval plant for certain swallowtail butterflies. Deer resistant
Geranium, Apple	Pelargonium odoratissimum 'Apple'	4-6" high	12" spread	Part Sun	Low growing variety that does best in somewhat shady spaces	White to light pink flowers and apple scented foliage.

Geranium, Citronella (Mosquito Plant)	<i>Pelargonium citrosa</i>	12-36" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Winter hardy to USDA Zone 10-11. Scented geraniums are best grown in areas where the foliage can be easily brushed or touched.	In St. Louis, grow as annuals in the ground or in containers. Deadhead spent flowering stems.
Geraniums, Cornucopia Mix	<i>Pelargoniums</i>	varies greatly	varies greatly	Full Sun - Part Shade	Winter hardy to USDA Zone 10-11. Deadhead spent flowering stems.	In St. Louis, grow as annuals in the ground or in containers.
Germander, Wall	<i>Teucrium chamaedrys</i>	9-12" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun	A sheltered location with wind protection for the winter is preferred	Rabbit and deer resistant
Giant Hyssop	<i>Agastache 'Black Adder'</i>	24-36" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Plants tolerate heat and some dry soils once established. Aromatic leaves are blue green.	'Black Adder' is noted for its long summer-to-frost floral display of smoky red-violet flowers that bloom in showy, bottle-brush, terminal spikes.
Giant Hyssop	<i>Agastache coccinea x rupestris "Firebird"</i>	24-36" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Mint-scented leaves may be added fresh or dry to enhance your favorite tea.	Bright orange flowers. Cut back flower stems in summer to promote continuous bloom.
Globe Amaranth or Globeflower	<i>Gomphrena globosa 'Buddy Purple'</i>	12-24" high	6-12" spread	Full Sun	Although mature plants exhibit good drought resistance, plants grow best with regular moisture throughout the growing season. Flowers dry very well.	Extremely good heat tolerance. Blooms from June until frost.
Hummingbird Mint	<i>Agastache cana "Tutti Frutti"</i>	24-36" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Sun loving and drought resistant, the 2-3' spires of raspberry pink flowers attract goldfinches, hummingbirds and butterflies.	Mint-scented leaves.
Joe Pye Weed, "Little Joe"	<i>Eutrochium dubium (alsopurpureum) 'Little Joe'</i>	36-48" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun, Part Sun	Cut plants to the ground in late winter	Has small lavender flowers in clusters
Lady's Mantle	<i>Alchemilla mollis</i>	12-18" high	18-30" spread	Full Sun, Part Sun	Has small chartreuse flowers in loose clusters	Water droplets stay on leaves
Lamb's Ear 'Helene von Stein'	<i>Stachys byzantine</i>	6-12" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun	Appreciates some light afternoon shade in hot climates. This cultivar rarely flowers, but has soft furry leaf texture thus giving it its common name.	Spreads by creeping stems that root as they go along the ground; can be somewhat aggressive in rich soils. Makes a good ground cover.
Lavender, Dilly Dilly	<i>Lavandula x intermedia 'Dilly Dilly'</i>	12-14" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun	Lavender can be difficult to grow in the St. Louis area, primarily because of winter stresses and high summer humidity. A compact lavender suitable for containers.	Well-drained soils are a must, particularly in winter. Root rot commonly attacks plants grown in poorly-drained soils. Remove faded flowers to promote continued bloom. Dilly Dilly has long flower wands with deep purple flowers.
Lavender, Ellagance Pink	<i>Lavandula angustifolia 'Ellagance Pink'</i>	12-14" high	10-12" spread	Full Sun	Excellent plant for an alpine or rock garden or as a border plant	Drought, deer, and rabbit resistant
Lavender, Grosso	<i>Lavandula x intermedia 'Grosso'</i>	18-30" high	24-30" spread	Full Sun	A mounded, shrubby cultivar with very large and fragrant flowers	Tolerates drought and air pollution. Rabbit and deer resistant
Lavender, Hidcote Blue	<i>Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote Blue'</i>	12-18" high	12-20" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Prune regularly for dense foliage. Rabbit and deer resistant	Well-drained soils are preferred and locate in sheltered location for winter. Rabbit and deer resistant
Lavender, Munstead	<i>Lavandula angustifolia 'Munstead'</i>	12-18" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Commonly called English Lavender and is a mainstay in herb gardens. Rabbit and deer resistant	Is a true lavender that is semi-woody and tolerates St. Louis winters with a little protection from winds
Lavender, Provence	<i>Lavandula x intermedia 'Provence'</i>	24" high	24" spread	Full Sun	Grown for its fragrance in borders, mass plantings and woodland gardens	Deer resistant

Lavender, Spanish	Lavandula stoechas 'Fairy Wings'			Full Sun	Well-drained soil is a must.	
Lemon Balm	Melissa Officinalis	18-24" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	It will increase in size, though, making a bigger clump in the garden each season and sprouting from seeds that develop from inconspicuous flowers. It refers to the fact that lemon balm is very attractive to bees.	To keep it from taking up too much of your garden, cut the plant back to a few inches tall several times during the growing season. The scientific name Melissa comes from the Greek and means honey-bee.
Lemon Verbena	Aloysia citriodora	24-48" high	24-48" spread	Full Sun	A very low maintenance plant with strong lemon aroma and flavor	
Lemongrass	Cymbopogon citratus	24-48" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun	Used in Thai, Vietnamese, Laotian and Cambodian cooking	Leaves emit lemony fragrance, but it rarely produces flowers
Lion's Tail	Leonotis leonurus	36-72" high	18-36" spread	Full Sun	Blooms are a striking orange that resemble lions' ears	Makes a distinctive container plant
Lovage	Levisticum officinale	36-72" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Stems can be used as a vegetable	Deer resistant
Marigold	Calendula officinalis	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Some afternoon shade would be helpful	Deadhead spent flowers to promote more blooms
Marjoram, Sweet	Origanum majorana	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun	Is a bushy plant with aromatic foliage and white to pale pink flowers in mid-summer	Has a more delicate flavor than perennial Oregano. Deer resistant
Meadowsweet	Filipendula ulmaria	20-50" high	36-48" spread	Full Sun, Part Sun	Grows on many kinds of damp and loamy ground. Aromatic flowers.	
Mint, Chocolate	Mentha piperita f. citrata 'Chocolate'	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Makes an attractive groundcover with the scent and flavor of a chocolate-mint candy	Deer and rabbit resistant
Mint, Kentucky Colonel	Mentha spicata 'Kentucky Colonel'	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Spreads by rhizomes and can be invasive	Leaves have a strong spearmint scent and taste. Deer and rabbit resistant
Mint, Mojito	Mentha villosa 'Mojito'	18-24" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Scent and flavor are milder than typical spearmint	Can become invasive. Deer and rabbit resistant
Mint, Orange	Mentha piperita f. citrata 'Orange'	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Leaves have a minty orange fragrance	Is a hybrid between Watermint and Spearmint. Deer and rabbit resistant
Mint, Peppermint	Mentha piperita 'Peppermint'	12-24" high	12-24" high	Full Sun, Part Shade	Prefers moist soil and is an aggressive plant which can be invasive	
Nasturtium	Tropaeolum majus 'Alaska Mix'	6-12" high	6-12" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Suitable for garden edges, herb gardens, hanging baskets, and containers	The deep scarlet leaves make great additions to salads and as a garnish
Nasturtium	Tropaeolum majus 'Strawberries and Cream'	12-18" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Blooms in a vibrant mix of colors throughout the growing season	
New England Aster	Symphotrichum novae-angliae	36-72" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun	Prefers moist, rich soils. Pinching back stems several times before mid-July will help control plant height and promote bushiness.	Good air circulation helps reduce incidence of foliar diseases.
Oregano, Golden	Origanum majorana 'Aurem'	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun	Thrives in gritty, sandy loams	Leaves have a milder flavor than those in the perennial Oregano group
Oregano, Greek	Origanum vulgare hirtum 'Greek'	6-8" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Very hardy and is an excellent ground cover	Good heat and drought resistance. Deer resistant
Oregano, Kent Beauty	Origanum 'Kent Beauty'	6-10" high	8-12" spread	Full Sun	A hybrid ornamental grown for its attractive flowers and foliage in containers or as an edge plant	Deer tolerant

Oregano, Zaatar	Origanum syriacum			Full Sun	Also known as Syrian Oregano or Bible Hyssop	Good heat and drought tolerance. Cut back stems before flowers appear to encourage bushy growth
Parsley, Curly	Petroselinum crispum	9–12" high	9–12" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Is a favorite of the black swallowtail caterpillar, while also being highly nutritious for humans as well	
Parsley, Italian	Petroselinum crispum, var. neapolitanum	9–12" high	9–12" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Native to Europe and the Mediterranean	This parsley has a stronger flavor than the curly variety. High in several vitamins and minerals
Patchouli	Pogostemon cablin	18–24" high	24–36" spread	Shade	Is an herb of the mint family native to tropical regions of Asia	Thrives in hot weather, but not direct sunlight
Pepper, Black Pearl	Capsicum annuum 'Black Pearl'	18-24" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun	Peppers love warm weather and do not like to have their roots disturbed.	Can tolerate some drought and is good in containers. Black Pearl is a very decorative ornamental pepper; peppers start green, turn black, then red. Green foliage turns black with maturity.
Pepper, Cayenne	Capsicum annuum	18–24" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	Peppers like warm weather and do not want to have their roots disturbed	Can tolerate some drought. Rated 30,000 to 50,000 on the Scoville heat scale
Pepper, Chilly Chilli	Capsicum annuum	24–36" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	Peppers like warm weather and do not want to have their roots disturbed	Can tolerate some drought. Rated 0-5000 on the Scoville heat scale
Pepper, Jalapeno	Capsicum annuum	24–36" high	12–15" spread	Full Sun	Peppers like warm weather and do not want to have their roots disturbed	Can tolerate some drought. Mild pepper with a 3,500 to 8,000 rating on the Scoville heat scale
Pepper, Masquerade	Capsicum annuum 'Masquerade'			Full Sun	Peppers love warm weather and do not like to have their roots disturbed.	Can tolerate some drought. Masquerade is strictly an ornamental pepper.
Pepper, Purple Flash	Capsicum annuum 'Purple Flash'	12–18" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	Peppers like warm weather and do not want to have their roots disturbed	Can tolerate some drought. Rated 5,000 to 30,000 on the Scoville heat scale
Pepper, Sweet Banana	Capsicum annuum	12–18" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	Peppers like warm weather and do not want to have their roots disturbed	Can tolerate some drought. Mild, tangy taste
Rosemary, Arp	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Arp'	36–72" high	24–48" spread	Full Sun	This is an upright cultivar noted for winter hardiness	Deer and drought resistant
Rosemary, Barbeque	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Barbeque'	48–72" high	24–36" spread	Full Sun	Strong, straight stems make perfect barbecue skewers	Takes pruning well. Deer resistant
Rosemary, Blue Rain	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Blue Rain'	60–72" high	24–48" spread	Full Sun	A must in a Mediterranean garden	Deer resistant
Rosemary, Foxtail	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Foxtail'	48–72" high	24–36" spread	Full Sun	Works well in hanging baskets and containers	Deer and rabbit resistant
Rosemary, Tuscan Blue	Rosmarinus officinalis 'Tuscan Blue'	60–72" high	24–48" spread	Full Sun	A must in a Mediterranean garden	Deer resistant
Sage Golden	Salvia officinalis 'Aurea'	12–18" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	May be used fresh or dried in cooking	Deer resistant
Sage, Berggarten	Salvia officinalis 'Berggarten'	18–24" high	18–24" spread	Full Sun	A member of the mint family	Deer resistant
Sage, Black and Blue	Salvia guaranitica 'Black and Blue'	30–36" high	30–36" spread	Full Sun, Part Shade	Features deep cobalt blue flowers with black calyces	

Sage, Garden	Salvia officinalis	24-30" high	24-30" spread	Full Sun	Tolerates very light shade, but best in full sun. Wet soils can be fatal.	Plants tend to sprawl, particularly when grown in less than full sun.
Sage, Mexican Bush	Salvia leucantha	24-36" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun	Prefers full sun with regular moisture	Grown as food for butterflies and hummingbirds
Sage, Pineapple	Salvia elegans 'Pineapple'	36-48" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun	Has bright red flowers in late summer/autumn	
Sage, Purple	Salvia purpurea	24" high	24" spread	Full Sun	Cut off any dead stems when they appear.	
Sage, Tricolor	Salvia officinalis 'Tricolor'	12-18" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun	Leaves are strongly aromatic and may be used fresh or dried	
Savory, Winter	Satureja montana	6-18" high	18" spread	Full Sun	Trim back plants in early spring. Winter savory is a low-growing, woody-stemmed, somewhat shrubby, spreading perennial.	Needs a protected location in St. Louis because it is not reliably winter hardy below 10 degrees F.
Sorrel, Green Leaf	Rumex acetosa	24" high	15" spread	Full sun	Beautiful cool season crop	
Sorrel, Red Veined	Rumex sanguineus	12-18" high	12-18" spread	Full sun	Blooms in June/July	May also be used as an ornamental
Spinach, Red Malabar	Basella rubra	20-30' high	4-6" spread	Full Sun to Part Sun	Vigorous grower in the heat of summer and reseeds in mild winters	
Stevia	Stevia rebaudiana	12-24" high	12-24" spread	Full Sun to Part Sun	The attraction to this plant is in the sweetness of the foliage	Is used as a sugar substitute
Swamp Milkweed	Asclepius incarnata	48-60" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun		
Sweet Woodruff	Galium odoratum	6-12" high	9-18" spread	Shade		
Tansy, Isla Gold	Tanacetum vulgare	12-24" high	18-24" spread	Full Sun to Part Sun		
Tarragon, French	Artemisia dracunculus 'Sativa'	48" high	24" spread	Full Sun		
Thyme, Elfin Creeping	Thymus praecox 'Elfin'	6" high	9" spread	Full Sun		
Thyme, English	Thymus vulgaris	6-12" high	6-12" spread	Full Sun	The fragrant foliage is round and tiny	
Thyme, Foxley	Thymus pulegioides	6-8" high	10" spread	Full Sun	Use in a low border near the garden path to enjoy the fragrance	
Thyme, French	Thymus vulgaris 'French'	12-18" high	12" spread	Full Sun	It is a low growing, bushy thyme with gray narrow leaves	
Thyme, Golden Lemon	Thymus x citriodorus 'Aureus'	4" high	12" spread	Full Sun	It has dark glossy foliage with a lemon scent.	
Thyme, Red Creeping	Thymus serpyllum ceoccineus	3-4" high	3-12" spread	Full Sun	Best grown in loose, sandy, gritty or rocky, nutrient-poor soils with sharp drainage. Makes a good ground cover, but not commonly used for cooking	Tolerates drought, dislikes moist to wet soils where root rot may develop. Excellent in a rock garden or between paving stones.
Toothache Plant or Eyeball Plant	Spilanthes acmella	12-15" high	12-18" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Can be grown in the ground or as a wonderful container plant. The yellow flowers with red centers resemble alien "eyeballs" giving rise to one of its common names.	Is an annual in St. Louis. The name Toothache Plant comes from the numbing properties it produces when the leaves and flowers are chewed.
Vietnamese Cilantro or Asian Mint	Polygonum odoratum OR Persicaria	6-18" high	6-18" spread	Part Sun-Part Shade	In St. Louis it is grown as an annual; does well in our heat.	Plants prefer boggy soils including ones with some standing water. Best in part shade, but tolerates full sun as long as ample soil moisture and good air circulation are present.
Wild Bergamot	Monarda fistulosa	24-48" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Tolerates somewhat poor soils and some drought.	Plants need good air circulation. Tends to self-seed.

Wild Bergamot 'Fireball'	<i>Monarda didyma</i>	24-28" high	24-36" spread	Full Sun - Part Shade	Tolerates somewhat poor soils and some drought. Tends to self-seed.	Plants need good air circulation. Deadhead flowers to prolong summer bloom.
Wood Betony	<i>Stachys officinalis</i>	18-24" high	18" spread	Full Sun to Part Sun		