

# Balmy Purple Bee Balm



Dwarf variety is deer and rabbit resistant, as well as mildew resistant.

## *Monarda didyma* 'Balmy Purple'

- **Use:** An abundance of vibrant reddish purple, shaggy flowers top a compact plant with very dark green, fragrant minty-basil-scented foliage. Create an eye-catching display of color in sunny borders with mass plantings, or use in combined plantings for containers and perennial beds.
- **Exposure/Soil:** They prefer full all day sun, but will tolerate just afternoon sun. Performs best with consistently moist, but not soggy, soil.
- **Growth:** Compact growth reaches only 10 to 12 in. tall and 8 to 10 in. wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-9; Perennial Mulch around plant in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. The foliage has that same sweet mint smell that is adored by gardeners who are familiar with Bee Balm. Mildew resistant type.
- **Flower:** Features purple flowers, arranged in large, shaggy heads, an ideal size for the middle of a sunny border. Long summer bloom period.