

Blue Stocking Bee Balm



Monarda didyma 'Blue Stocking'

- **Use:** The nectar rich blossoms are a magnet for hummingbirds and butterflies who literally zoom in and out of the garden once they discover the plants. Blue Stocking has proven to be more heat and drought tolerant than other forms of Monarda and stands up well even in miserable humidity. The foliage has that same sweet mint smell that is adored by gardeners who are familiar with Bee Balm. Very easy to grow and highly recommended.
- **Exposure/Soil:** They prefer warm sun or part shade if warm spot in the garden. When they are growing, they do not like to dry out. When they are dormant, they like to be dry. They can be grown great in containers as well. Containers should be left dry in the garage or under an eave for the winter. They can handle cold temperatures if they are dry.
- **Growth:** Moderate grower to 30in. tall and 20-30" wide.
- **Hardiness:** 7-10 Perennial Mulch around plant in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Mildew resistant type.
- **Flower:** The name is a little misleading- the flowers are by no means considered to be in the blue range, they are however a very nice shade of violet-purple that is unique in Bee Balms.



**We love to
use them as cut flowers!**