

Lime Mint



Mentha piperata 'Orange'

- **Use:** Lime mint is a beautiful garden plant, with smooth, deep green leaves with a hint of purple, and reddish purple stems. Very upright, with yummy edible purple flowers, this is a lovely mint for a large pot, and always a surprise when you taste it. The ultimate tea plant, it is also great for the 'mixologist', and bar tenders can usually match it up with a number of adult libations for a fun twist. Lime mint is also delicious with melons and in sorbets. Like all mints, it can be very invasive so best in a pot.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant in moist, fertile soil in light shade to full sun. Chocolate mint thrives alongside water gardens or in damp spots in the yard.
- **Growth:** Grows 18-24" tall and wide. Stems tend to run rampantly over—and under—soil.. In small garden spaces, it's best to tuck chocolate mint into a pot to curtail its wandering ways. Space plants 3' apart.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-11; Perennial, Herb
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; The leaves are round to oval, smooth and dark green with a red edge with a very fragrant, citrus-like scent. Lime mint is a great culinary herb as the leaves blend really well with summer fruit salads, jellies and cordials. Also makes a great mint tea with a difference!
- **Flower:** This zesty mint also has purple flowers in summer that are attractive to bees and pollinators.



A great garnish for ice cream or iced tea, this gourmet mint has a wonderful hint of lime mixed with the minty flavor. Crush fresh leaves into water or juice for a refreshing beverage, or add to iced tea.

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