

Salvia officinalis

(common sage, Ramona)

Salvia officinalis commonly called sage, is the culinary sage familiar to most cooks. It also has excellent ornamental qualities. It has gray-green leaves that are strongly aromatic and are frequently used fresh or dried in cooking as a seasoning, and attracts bees and butterflies.

Genus name is the Latin name for sage presumably for the medicinal quality of the plants



Plant Image

Landscape Information

<b>French Name:</b> salvia officinalis
<b>Arabic Name:</b> القويسة
<b>Pronounciation:</b> SAL-vee-uh oh-fiss-ih-NAH-liss
<b>Plant Type:</b> Shrub
<b>Origin:</b> Mediterranean region and northern Africa
<b>Heat Zones:</b> 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
<b>Hardiness Zones:</b> 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
<b>Uses:</b> Border Plant, Container, Edible, Medicinal, Wildlife, Cut Flowers / Arrangements, Ground cover

Size/Shape

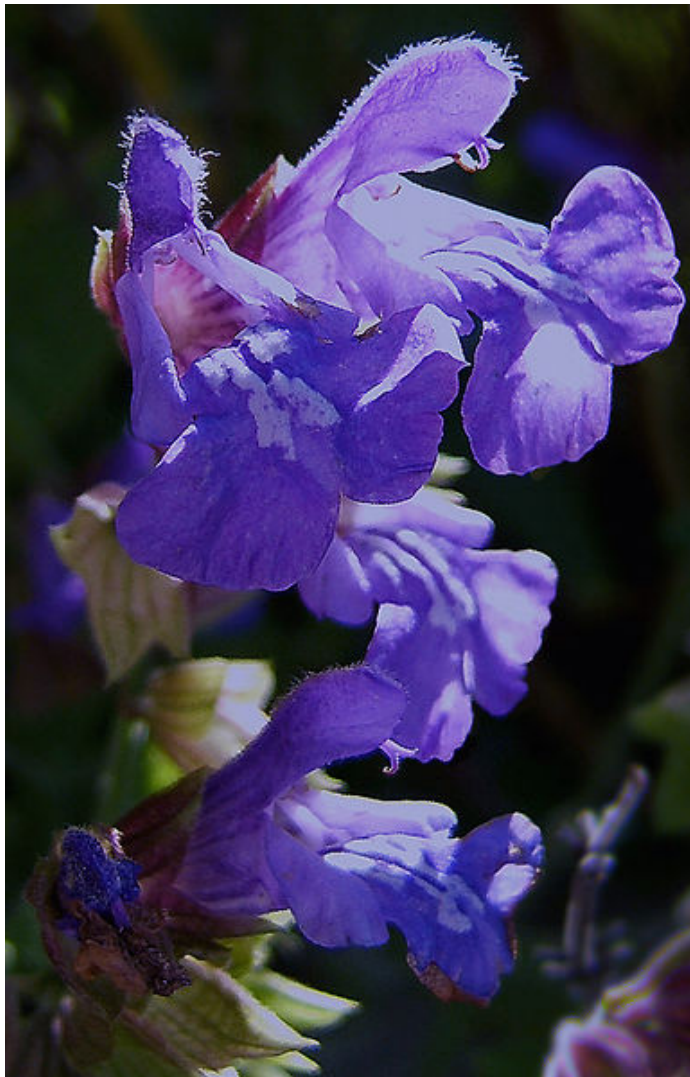
<b>Growth Rate:</b> Fast
<b>Tree Shape:</b> Round
<b>Canopy Symmetry:</b> Irregular
<b>Canopy Density:</b> Dense
<b>Canopy Texture:</b> Coarse
<b>Height at Maturity:</b> 1 to 1.5 m
<b>Spread at Maturity:</b> 1 to 1.5 meters
<b>Time to Ultimate Height:</b> 2 to 5 Years

Notes

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Flower Image

### Botanical Description

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#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Oblong

**Leaf Margins:** Entire

**Leaf Textures:** Smooth, Hairy

**Leaf Scent:** Pleasant

**Color(growing season):** Blue-Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

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#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Flower Type:** Spike

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** Purple, Blue

**Seasons:** Summer

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#### Trunk

**Trunk Has Crownshaft:** False

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Showiness:** False

**Seasons:** Summer

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Leaf Image

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam, Sand

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate, Low

**Light Requirements:** Full

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** No pruning at all

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** No

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** Less than 25

**Diseases:** Powdery Mildew, Root rot

**Edible Parts:** Leaf

**Pests:** Mealy-Bug, Snail

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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Fruit Image



Other Image