Thymus vulgaris

(Common Thyme)

Thymus vulgaris is native to Southern Europe. It can tolerate drought and rcky soil, as long as it is exposed to full light and is put in alkaline to neutral soil, which has sand or loam characteristics. Oregano or thyme is a herb, its evergreen and its leaf represent the edible part. Used as a ground cover, in rock garden.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Thymus Vulgaris Arabic Name: الغدة الصعترية الشائع

Pronounciation: TY-muss vul-GAIR-iss

Plant Type: Groundcover Origin: Southern Europe

Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 **Hardiness Zones:** 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9

Uses: Mass Planting, Container, Edible,

Medicinal, Extensive Green Roof, Ground cover

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape:

Height at Maturity: Less than 0.5 m, 0.5 to 1 m **Spread at Maturity:** Less than 50 cm, 0.5 to 1

meter, Over 15 meters

Time to Ultimate Height: 2 to 5 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Whorled Leaf Venation: Nearly Invisible Leaf Persistance: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: Less than 5
Leaf Shape: Ovate
Leaf Margins: Entire
Leaf Textures: Fine
Leaf Scent: Pleasant

Color(growing season): Green Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True Flower Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Flower Type: Cyme

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant Flower Color: Purple, White Seasons: Spring, Summer

Fruit

Fruit Showiness: False Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes Heat Tolerant: No Drought Tolerant: Yes Salt Tolerance: Poor

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Low Light Requirements: Full

Management

Toxity: No

Invasive Potential: No

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No Life Span: Less than 25 Diseases: Root rot

Edible Parts: Leaf

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting, Layering

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