

Thymus vulgaris

(Common Thyme)

Thymus vulgaris is native to Southern Europe. It can tolerate drought and rocky 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

Pronunciation: 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 Persistence: 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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