

Salvia farinacea

(Mealycup sage )

Native to Mexico this plant handle heat and drought but not hardy frost, except in Zone 10-11. Flowering can happen all season if old flowers are deadheaded. Flower attract hummingbird, bees, butterflies. There are many cultivars available in shades of blue, violet, white and/or silver.

Can be grown on calcareous soil in prairies, meadows, roadsides and open woodlands. Also used in containers, cutting gardens or any place where continuous flower color is desired.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

Plant Type:	Groundcover
Origin:	Texas, Mexico
Heat Zones:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
Hardiness Zones:	7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Uses:	Border Plant, Mass Planting, Container, Street, Ground cover
Size/Shape	
Growth Rate:	Fast
Tree Shape:	Upright
Height at Maturity:	0.5 to 1 m
Spread at Maturity:	0.5 to 1 meter
Time to Ultimate Height:	1 Year

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Flower Image

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### Botanical Description

#### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Serrate

**Leaf Textures:** Smooth, Fine

**Leaf Scent:** Pleasant

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

**Color(changing season):** Green, Blue-Green

#### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 10 - 20

**Flower Type:** Raceme

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** Purple, Blue, White

**Seasons:** Summer

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#### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Follicle

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 3 - 7

**Fruit Colors:** Brown, Red

**Seasons:** Summer, Fall

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**Horticulture Management**

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**Tolerance**

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** Yes

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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**Requirements**

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate, Low

**Light Requirements:** Full

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**Management**

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Diseases:** Powdery Mildew, Downey Mildew

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Generally pest free

**Plant Propagations:** Seed

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Fruit Image



Other Image



Bark Image