

CATNIP

Nepeta cataria (NEP-eh-tuh kat-AR-ee-ah)

PERENNIAL LI AMIACEAE FAMILY

70NFS: 3-9

EXPOSURE: FULL SUN LAFTERNOON SHADE

MATURE HEIGHT: 18-36" | SPREAD 12-18"

BLOOM: PURPLE/WHITE I MID-LATE SUMMER













This aromatic perennial grows fast and may become invasive as it spreads via seeds as well as underground runners. Container growing encouraged. Use of its dried flowers medicinally in tea is documented back to 1735. Dried flowers are also used in cat toys.

- Therapeutic*: coughs, sore throats, fevers, headaches, diarrhea, asthma, toothache, nervousness, colic, and topically to help heal wounds. Prevents the formation of and helps to relieve gas in the digestive tract. Combine with lemon balm and chamomile for tea.
- Companion: very potent pest repelling action perfect for the vegetable garden.
- Nepetalactone oil in Catnip has been proven to be more effective than DEET in repelling mosquitoes.
- Caution: Catnip should not be used during pregnancy.



