

## Thai Basil

- \* Scientific Name: *Ocimum basilicas* var. *thyrsoflora*
- \* Family: Mint (Lamiaceae)
- \* Type: Annual Edible Herb
- \* Native range: Southeast Asia
- \* Sun: Full sun
- \* Blooms: June to September
- \* Attracts:, Honey bees, Butterflies, Native bees, Bumblebees, & Hover flies among others.
- \* Cultivated: Alamance County

**Notes:** Both a pollen & nectar source. It has an identifiable anise- & licorice-like flavor and slightly spicy not present in sweet basil, and its flavor is more stable under high or extended cooking temperatures than that of sweet basil.



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