Rosemary

- Scientific Name: *Salvia rosmarinus*
- Old name: *Rosmarinus officinalis*
- Family: Mint (Lamiaceae)
- Type: Evergreen Shrub
- Native range: Africa, Europe, western Asia
- Sun: Full sun
- Blooms: June to July
- Attracts: Honey bees, Butterflies, Bumblebees, & Native bees among others.
- Cultivated: Alamance County

**Notes:** This intensely fragrant evergreen shrub has foliage similar to hemlock needles. Rosemary leaves are used as a flavoring in foods, such as stuffing and roast lamb, pork, chicken, and turkey. They have a bitter, astringent taste and a characteristic aroma which complements many cooked foods. Herbal tea can be made from the leaves. Flowers are nectar & pollen sources.