

Emory Knoll Farms

Origanum vulgare

Best known as the common kitchen herb "Oregano", the wild growing form of this species makes an excellent drought tolerant selection for green roofs. Throughout the summer, this plant bears clusters of tiny purple flowers at the ends of its stalks. Originally from the Mediterranean regions of Europe and Asia, it has become naturalized in most of the Eastern US. Leaves often give off a nice fragrance in the sun. Like most herbaceous perennials, this plant will benefit from a deeper soil profile or where the green roof media has been mounded. It will need regular water to become established.

CHARACTERISTICS

Foliage Color: Green

Flower Color: Purple

Bloom Time: Midsummer to midautumn

Winter Interest: Green



BOTANICAL INFORMATION

Place of Origin: Mediterranean to Eastern Asia

Hardiness Zone: 5

Height: 14" Spread: 8"

Self-sowing: No

Light Requirement: Full sun to partial shade

Plant Use: Accent

PLANT SIZE

Deep nursery plug
3" deep x 1.5" across at the top

PLANT SPACING

Typically planted at 2-3 plugs
per square foot

PLANTING MEDIUM

Green Roof Growing Medium
6" Min. Depth



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