

# BASIL

Basil is a classic ingredient in many Italian dishes, and there are many different varieties available, with Sweet Genovese being the classic variety that most people will be familiar with. **Basil is very cold-sensitive and shouldn't be planted outdoors as it will not survive our summers.** It should be grown either on a warm sunny windowsill or in a greenhouse. It can be planted in a bigger pot, or straight into the soil borders of a greenhouse. Pinch out the tip when several sets of leaves have grown as this will encourage the plant to bush out.



Cinnamon



Classic



Napoletano



Greek



Siam Queen/Thai



Lemon



Lime



Red

African Blue is a perennial basil. It will produce a 2ft tall bush, and attracts a lot of bees. Like other basil, it is tender, but it can be overwintered in a warm greenhouse or sunny windowsill.



And just in case you forget, **don't plant your basil outside** - Basil is from the Mediterranean, and our climate is not Mediterranean.