

Lavender

There are many varieties and the information given below is applicable to all.

Common or English Lavender (*Lavandula angustifolia*)

Bandera

Goodwin Creek

Pinnata



Season: Spring

Annual

Sun Exposure: Full sun

Size: 6–46 in tall (Can get shrub-like)

Blooms: Purple, pink, lavender, or white flowers arranged on spikes above the foliage

Maintenance Category: Low

Protect from cold.

Highlights: Can be grown in the ground or in a container (both outside or inside) The best propagation is by cuttings taken in late spring or early summer. Lavender is a lover of lime (calcium carbonate), so planting with a handful of crushed limestone or oyster shells would be beneficial.

How to Use: Culinary—flowers are used in teas, cookies, and other confections, as well as in lemonade. Topically, it can be used in soaps, shampoos, and household cleaning products.