

## Wild Marjoram





Wild Marjoram (Origanum vulgare) is a British native perennial reaching a height of 60cm. The dark purple buds at the top of the stem open to show purple or occasionally white bunches of flowers. The leaves are long, oval and normally slightly toothed which have a sweet scent.

Habitats include; grasslands, hedge banks and road verges. Wild marjoram has a limited means of vegetative spread and strongly relies on seed reproduction. However, the plant produces a large amount of seed which remains in the soil.

After summer, the leaves will die back but the roots live on, resulting in the leaves growing again the following spring.

The flowers of Wild Marjoram are particularly attractive to butterflies.

**Sowing Time: Autumn** 

