

## Featured Perennial

# ***Agastache* species – including *A. rupestris*, *A. cana*, *A. ‘Coronado’*, *A. ‘Tutti Frutti’*, *A. ‘Sinning* **Hyssop, Hummingbird Mint****

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<b>Common name:</b>	Hyssop, Hummingbird Mint
<b>Height:</b>	1 ½ to 5 feet, depending on variety
<b>Width:</b>	1 ½ - 2 feet
<b>Light:</b>	Full sun
<b>Water:</b>	Slightly dry to dry
<b>Soil:</b>	Well-drained
<b>Growth Habit:</b>	Upright and bushy
<b>How to use:</b>	Use in a mixed Xeric perennial bed or border or containers

*Agastache* species are an excellent addition to the Xeric perennial garden for mid to late summer color and fragrance. Foliage and flowers are highly fragrant such as anise and double bubble bubblegum. They need full sun, well-drained soil, and keep them slightly dry to dry or they will become weak, leggy and possibly rot. One of my favorite varieties is *A. rupestris* (Sunset Hyssop) 18-24” tall, slender blue-gray foliage, apricot flowers, and anise fragrance. Another favorite is *A. ‘Tutti-Frutti’* at 4-5’ tall, purple flowers and a fruity fragrance. *Agastache* combines well with other Xeric perennials such as Hummingbird Trumpet (*Zauschneria*), Russian Sage, Ice Plants, and Missouri Evening Primrose.



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