



# Monji Plant Profile

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## Rosemary

*Rosmarinus officinalis Prostrata*

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<u>Hardiness</u>	<u>Exposure</u>	<u>Soil</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Height</u>
Zones 4-24, H1, H2	Full sun	Lighten heavy soils with organic matter, good drainage is essential	Little to moderate watering	Small cluster of ¼ to ½ inch blossoms in various shades of blue	As low as 1 foot to as large as 6 feet

Rosemary is a valuable Old World aromatic shrub from Europe through Asia Minor. It is native to much of the Mediterranean region and most specifically in the south of France. It was classified by Linnaeus into the mint family and he named its genus from the Latin for sea-dew because it is commonly found on the chalk hills along the seacoast. There are only two species grown, and this one was the primary plant used "officially" in the herbal pharmacopeia. It remains today a valuable culinary herb and dry land garden plant. This more cold hardy cultivar was discovered by Madalene Hill in Arp, Texas and named for the town. It was sent to the U.S. National Arboretum for testing and is proven to survive further north.