

Fennel



Foeniculum vulgare

- **Use:** A terrific foliage plant and a great attraction for butterflies and beneficial insects. It is a preferred host plant for swallowtail butterflies. The anise-flavored leaves and seeds are used in cooking. We love shaved fennel in our salads!
- **Exposure/Soil:** They love full hot sun, but be sure to keep them well watered, but not drowning. Pinch tips back occasionally to produce a bushy plant! Use slow release fertilizer for best results
- **Growth:** Grows 12" tall and continues to spread.
- **Hardiness:** 6-10, Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Features feathery, compound, aromatic, dark green leaves with needle-like segments.
- **Flower:** Tiny yellow flowers in large, flattened, compound umbels. Flowers bloom in mid- to late summer, and are followed by aromatic seeds. Be sure to cut off flowers if you do not want them to reseed in the garden.