

Artemisia dracunculus

Wild Tarragon



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PERENNIAL HERB

1.5 - 5 ft high, to 5 ft wide from woody base.

Erect with slender branches.

Leaves entire, linear to pinnately lobed, bright green, glabrous, fragrant.

Dies back in late summer, fall.

Flowers in small, nodding heads on leafy panicles

Native Habitat: Common in disturbed sites, and many other habitats from sea level to 12000'. North America, Europe, India, and eastern Asia (may have been cultivated by early human settlers.)

Full sun to partial shade.

Tolerates a variety of moderately drained soils.

Low water requirements, 1x/month in summer

Many varieties used as cooking spice.

