



## Coyote Mint

*Monardella villosa* ssp. *villosa*

Mint Family, *Lamiaceae*



Common to dry rocky or gravelly areas, you may find this plant covered with butterflies during its summer blooming season. The fragrant, sparsely hairy, gray green leaves and dense clusters of purple to blue purple flowers are certainly attractive. Multiple tiny petals form equally small two lipped floral tubes. From even a short distance the profusion of flowers look colorfully hairy. Leaves are elliptical and fragrantly minty. *Monardella villosa* is a variable plant with several subspecies.

Spanish settlers used this plant as a cure for sore throats.

A great perennial with very fragrant foliage from summer to fall. Drought tolerant and prefers warm to hot exposure. Needs good drainage or may rot in the winter. Pollinators love it.

**Jun–Aug ● Ma, Me, Na, So**  
to 45 cm, 18 in

