

**Genus:** *Lavandula*

**Common Name:** Lavender

**Species:** cultivars

**Cultivar:**

**Origin:** Mediterranean

**Family:** Lamiaceae



Stanford

**Kind of Plant:** Shrub

**Seasonal Habit:** Evergreen

**Growth Habit:** Upright, clumping

**Height:** 1½ - 5 ft

**Width:** 2 - 3½ ft

**Light Needs:** Sun

**Water Needs:** Low - deep monthly watering in 6 hottest months.

### Special Identifying Features

**Leaves:** Simple, opposite, aromatic, gray, gray-green, or yellowish green, entire, lobed or toothed depending on species or cultivar

**Bark/Twig:** Become woody at base with time.

**Flowers:** Fragrant, spikes, lavender, purple, white, yellow. Used for aromatic oil, soap, potpourri, and medicine. Attract bees and butterflies.

**Fruit:**

**Disease(s):** Root rot in hot humid areas.

(Refer to Disease and Pest Control chart for treatments.)

**Pest(s):**

### Special Points:

Prune back by 1/3 to 1/2 every year immediately after bloom. Needs good drainage, little or no fertilizer. Common cultivars:

- 1) *Lavandula angustifolia*—English Lavender
- 2) *Lavandula dentata*—French Lavender, Toothed Lavender,
- 3) *Lavandula stoechas*—Spanish Lavender,
- 4) *Lavandula x intermedia*—Lavandin, Hedge Lavender.

### Campus Location:

- 1) Schwab Residence Hall—*Lavandula angustifolia* 'Hidcote'
- 2) Plant Biology Lab—*Lavandula dentata*
- 3) Galvez St. @ Memorial Way—*Lavandula stoechas*
- 4) Old Green Library (Lasuen Mall side) and Alumni Center —*Lavandula x intermedia* 'Provence'
- 5) Ford Center—*Lavandula angustifolia* 'Munstead'