

SPEARMINT Essential Oil





Botanical Name: Mentha spicata.

Main Constituents: L-carvone: 65.23% Limonene: 25%

Plant Part: Leaves and Stems

Origin: India

Processing Method: Steam Distilled

Description / Color / Consistency: A thin, clear, colourless to pale yellow liquid

Aromatic Summary / Note / Strength of Aroma: A top note with a medium aroma, it has a characteristic scent that is sweeter than the minty aroma of peppermint.

Product Abstract: Spearmint is a native of the Mediterranean area. A hardy perennial herb, Spearmint reaches about 1 meter (3 feet) in height. It has characteristic lance-shaped leaves with pink or lilaccolored flowers. The ancient Greeks used Spearmint to scent their bath water. It is a common flavouring agent in foods and scent in toiletries.

ABOUT THE OIL

Spearmint oil is sweeter than peppermint—peppermint will have an immediate strong aroma of menthol, whereas spearmint will have a sweet quality at the same time.

Application

INHALATION

- direct inhalation, diffuser, oil vaporizer
- Spearmint oil is cleansing and uplifting, and the aroma will help sharpen the senses. For bringing alertness, a drop or more can be inhaled directly from a handkerchief, or the oil can be used in a diffuser.

TOPICAL

- massage, compress, bath, ointment, skincare
- Refreshing for overworked body and feet.
- Great in a cool compress for nausea, headaches and travel sickness.



- Dilute in a carrier oil and massage into the abdomen (essential oils are absorbed though the skin, and can help targeted digestive organs in this manner).
- May help relieve congestion and headaches (including migraines) by placing a drop on each temple. The skin is rather sensitive there, and the eyes are close by; a 10% dilution of essential oil is safe and effective balance to use.

INGESTION

- For digestive complaints one can take 1 to 3 drops in a warm cup of water, or dilute in a carrier oil.
- Place a couple drops on the tongue to improve alertness.

Aromatherapy Details

- This Spearmint oil has sweet, heady floral and fresh mint top notes, complex herbaceous middle notes over a musty, deeply honeyed, balsamic and molasses-like undertone.
- It blends well with an array of essential oils, most notably: <u>Lavender</u>, <u>Jasmine</u>, <u>Eucalyptus</u>, <u>Basil</u>, <u>Rosemary</u> and <u>Peppermint</u>.

Safety

Non-toxic, non-irritant but occasionally sensitizing. Always test a small amount first for sensitivity or allergic reaction. Never apply undiluted to the skin. Direct and indirect contact with the eyes will cause irritation.

Spearmint oil is considered non-toxic, a non-irritant and non-sensitizing. The more gentle relative of Peppermint, it is suitable for use with children and others who may find the menthol content of Peppermint too strong.

If pregnant or under a doctor's care, consult a physician. Spearmint is not recommended to be used on infants and children under 2 years old.

All About Spearmint Oil

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