

Botanical Name: Rosmarinus officinalis 'Prostratus'

Common Name: Dwarf rosemary

Type of Plant: dicot; groundcover Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape uneven, sprawling, somewhat shrubby type of growth; rustic
looking and irregular with age; can become very woody

Height 24" Spread 4' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun, tolerates partial

Soil best in poor soil if well drained

Hardiness hardy (zones 4-24); to 10° F

Morphology:

Leaves very characteristic, narrow, aromatic, glossy, dark green
above, grayish green beneath on square stems

Flowers small, light lavender blue, 1/4" - 1/2" diameter; winter
spring; attracts bees

Fruit small 4-part nutlet

Propagation: softwood tip cuttings under mist

Usage: informal groundcover, especially good on banks and
cascading over walls; good in rustic situations; be sure to plant where bees
(strongly attracted by flowers) will not cause problems

Landscape Care:

Watering prefers slightly dry soils, must have good drainage

Fertilizing none - looks rangy with too much water and fertilizer

Pruning control height by light pruning

Pests/Diseases relatively free

Special Conditions frequent pinching of small plants forces dense side growth

Origin: Mediterranean region Family: Lamiaceae