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Monarda bradburiana

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Light Requirements: **sun, part-sun, part-shade**

Soil Moisture: **dry, moist**

Soil Description: **average, poor, sand, gravel/rock**

Height: **1'-2'**

Recommended Spacing: **12"-18"**

Bloom Time: **May, June, July**

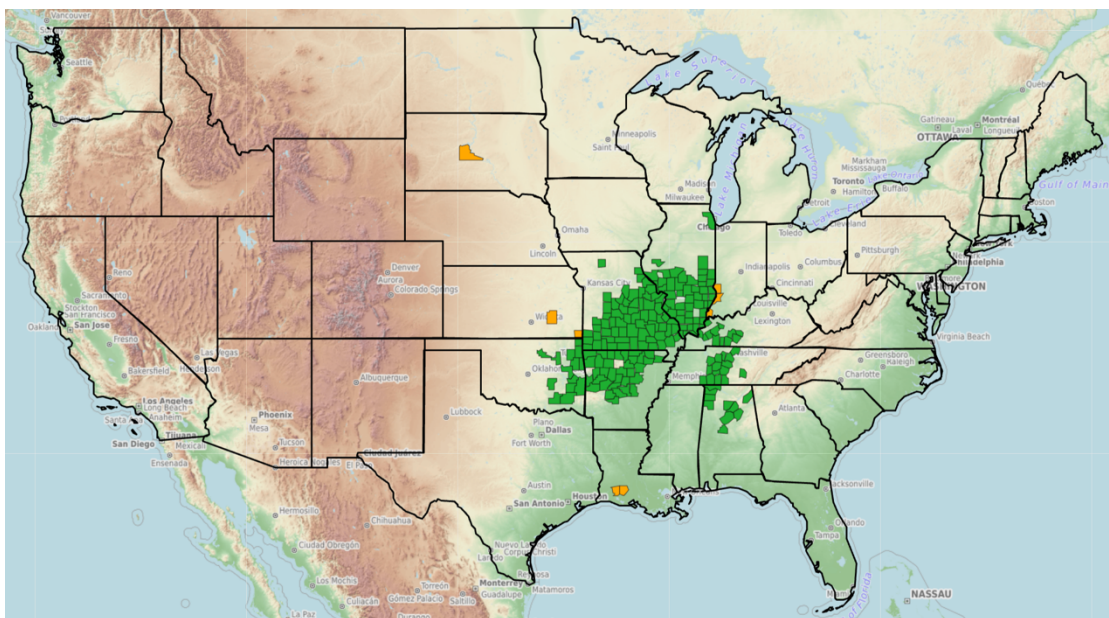
Bloom Color: **pink, lavender**

Hardiness Zone: **4, 5, 6, 7, 8**

Additional Tags: **attracts hummingbirds, cut flowers, deer resistant, pollinator favorite**

Monarda bradburiana is a smaller, early blooming species of *Monarda*, growing no taller than 2' and flowering as early as May. It grows naturally on open, rocky sites in savannas and forests, and on roadsides. It tolerates some shade and is resistant to the powdery mildew that besets other *Monarda*, but planting it in a spot with good air circulation is still a good practice.

Easy to grow in a variety of soil and light conditions and best kept too dry rather than too wet. It's a favorite of pollinators, providing nectar and pollen and serving as a host plant for moth caterpillars.



Map of Native Range Color Key:

- Present
- Rare