

Community Bergamot Harvesting



- 5 Things to remember when harvesting:
 1. Make sure you have properly identified the plant.
 2. Know what & who you are using the plant for.
 3. Make an offering of Indian tobacco speech (below)
 4. Make offering speech to the “leader”.
 5. Pick only what you need.

YawΛ?kó·

Wa?kuyu?kwahsóllyehte?

I give an offering of tobacco to you

Ta· o·nÁ né· tho niwΛhnisló·tΛ né· tkaye·lí· wa?téktane?

Now then on this particular day it is right I am standing

né· tsi?nu ka·yÁ· né·n ka?i·kÁ KahΛtáklahse? . Né· í· (Oneida name)

where it lays this here wild bergamot (stinky field). Now _my Oneida name

ní· yúkyats, (clan) niwaki?talóhtΛ, OnΛyote?a·ká·

is my name, * is the kind of The People of the

clan I that am, Standing Stone

niwakuhwΛtsyóhtΛ. Ta· o·nÁ wa?kuyu?kwahsóllyehte? né· akakwe·ní·

is my nation. Now then I give an offering of tobacco to you so that

kwí· akunyáhese? né· tsi?náhte? satsatstÁhslayΛ. Ta· o·nÁ

indeed I can depend as to what the strength/power. Now then

on you you have

wa?kuyu?kwahsóllyehte? né·n akakwe·ní· kwí· Λskwaya?takénha

I give an offering of so indeed it can be you'll help us

tobacco to you

í· okhale? akhwa·tsíle? né· o·nÁ né· yukwanúhkwa?t ΛkÁhake.

me and my family and so then our medicine it'll be.

Ta' tho nyohtúhak né'n yukwa'nikúhla'.

This is how it shall be our minds.

* Wakkwáho – wolf, Wakenyáhta – turtle, Wakeskle·wáke - bear

<https://oneida-nsn.gov/resources/environmental/>

 Visit the Environmental website to view the *Culturally Significant Plants of Oneida Nation of WI* [Web Plant Book](#) to find out more plant identification, Oneida language name and use information!

 Bergamot has been planted at these sites:

- Coyote Run Natural Area, Reformatory Rd
- Duck Creek Ridge, Seminary Rd
- East side of Cooper Road & Hwy 54, behind barn

For more information on locations contact Sylvia or Tony at Environmental at 869-1600

Wild Bergamot

Scientific Name:
Monarda fistulosa L.

Oneida Name:  [Listen](#)
Kah,táklahse? (stinky field)

Family:
Lamiaceae

Flower:
Pale purple to pink, 5-parted

Stem:
Square

Leaves:
Opposite, lance-like with a rounded base and pointed tips

Height:
2-4 ft

Flowering:
July-Sept

Habitat:
Full to partial sun, dry, moderate moisture to wet; woods, prairies, fields

Medicinal/Cultural:
Flower/Leaves: flu, colds, insomnia, heart, gas

Notes:
Native



Flower



Leaves

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