# Nana Dwarf Winter Savory

***Satureja montana 'Nana'***



*Nana Dwarf Winter Savory*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 6 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

**Description:**

A low growing spreading variety with a spicy, savory aroma and flavor; trailing habit, ideal for patio containers, hanging baskets or used as groundcover; emerald green foliage, delicious when used for marinades, sauces and seasonings

**Edible Qualities**

Nana Dwarf Winter Savory is a perennial herb that is typically grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. The fragrant narrow green leaves can be harvested at any time in the season. The leaves have a savory taste and a pungent fragrance.

The leaves are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Drying
- Seasoning

**Features & Attributes**

Nana Dwarf Winter Savory features subtle white flowers in mid summer. Its fragrant narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season.

This is an herbaceous perennial herb with a spreading, ground-hugging habit of growth. It brings an extremely fine and delicate texture to the garden composition and should be used to full effect. This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading



*Nana Dwarf Winter Savory flowers*
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Aside from its primary use as an edible, Nana Dwarf Winter Savory is sutiable for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Herb Gardens
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

**Planting & Growing**

Nana Dwarf Winter Savory will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 5 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!

This plant is quite ornamental as well as edible, and is as much at home in a landscape or flower garden as it is in a designated herb garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in poor soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Nana Dwarf Winter Savory is a good choice for the edible garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. Because of its spreading habit of growth, it is ideally suited for use as a 'spiller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the edges where it can spill gracefully over the pot. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.