Today on Gardening in a Minute: oregano.

Oregano, commonly called "the pizza herb," is one of the most widely-used culinary and medicinal herbs worldwide.

Oregano is a hardy perennial that can be grown easily from seed, cuttings, or division. It has tiny purple flowers and blooms all summer.

Plant oregano in full sun and well-drained soil. Many varieties are available, and come in almost every shape and size.

Oregano’s aromatic leaves can be snipped as needed. For best flavor, harvest leaves just as flower buds form. Stems can be cut and dried.

Oregano is native to Mediterranean climates, and is often used in Greek and Italian kitchens. Add fresh oregano to your favorite recipes, or anywhere you need a flavor kick!

Plant oregano today to get your pizza garden started!

For more information about oregano and many other gardening topics, contact your county extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

Gardening in a Minute is a production of the University of Florida’s Center for Landscape Conservation and Ecology, IFAS Extension, and WUFT-FM.