

Seed Saving: Basil



1. Once you can see a tall stem and flowers at the top of your basil plant, cut the stem below the flowers



2. Dry the flowers near a window or door to ensure good air circulation

3. When the dried basil flowers are able to be crumbled, it is time to remove the seeds





4. There are two ways basil seeds can be collected, you can:
- Use a sieve to reveal seeds or,
 - Rub the flower between your fingers to reveal seeds

5. Package and store seeds when dry

Tip: Basil can cross-pollinate so be sure to keep varieties of this plant separate from others in your garden

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