

# FRANKINCENSE

boswellia carteri

10ml

*HB*Naturals  
PRODUCT INFORMATION PAGE



## application

Aromatic • Bath • Topical

## properties

### Wildcrafted

**Producing Organ:** Resin

**Extraction:** Steam Distillation

**Country of Origin:** Somalia

**Safety Group:** #2

**Main Chemical Constituents:**  $\alpha$ -pinene, limonene,  $\alpha$ -thujene

**Therapeutic Properties:** Anti-inflammatory, antiseptic, astringent, carminative, cicatrizant, cytophylactic, digestive, diuretic, emmenagogue, expectorant, sedative, tonic, uterine, vulnerary [Julia Lawless, *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Essential Oils* (Rockport, MA: Element Books, 1995), 97.]

## responsible cautions

- Non-toxic, non-irritant, and non-sensitizing.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets.
- If you are pregnant, nursing, or under a doctor's care, consult your healthcare provider prior to use.
- Store away from sunlight, at room temperature, with the lid securely tightened.

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## product summary

Frankincense trees grow in rocky, desert-like soil. They are seldom more than 20 feet tall, and some have bizarre shapes. Each tree has its own personality. Everything about them is a testimony to the unforgiving sun of this land. They chose a location where the mountains provide protection from the wind, and mountain dew is the only moisture they receive. Average rainfall must be below 4 inches in order for them to thrive."

Frankincense trees are also particular about the conditions of the soil. They grow only in the so-called Frankincense belt, a strip of land about 9 miles wide, where lime deposits in the soil contain very specific combinations of minerals. The trees prefer the rocky slopes along the edge of the dry river beds. The Frankincense tree native to this area, *Boswellia carteri*, is named for the Edinburgh botanist Johann Boswell and the English ship physician H.J. Carter, who, in 1846, were the first to describe the Frankincense tree in detail. Of the some 25 different kinds of Frankincense that exist, only the following three are now available\*:

- *Boswellia sacra*, from South Arabia, called "Buchur" there\*
- *Boswellia carteri*, from Somalia and Oman\*
- *Boswellia serrata*, from India, called "Common Myrrh" there\*

In the last few years, Western science has become aware of the ability of Frankincense to lessen the pain caused by rheumatism. A study conducted at the University of Munich was able to prove the effects of Frankincense on joint pain. The age-old healing and incense-burning substance can give many people who suffer from rheumatism hope and help. Other experiments, conducted at the University of Tübingen, also have proven that Frankincense can reduce infections."

According to pharmacological research, Frankincense has strong anti-inflammatory properties that could make it a natural remedy for inflammation-rooted diseases."

## Uses

- Add 10 drops to ½ cup Pink Himalayan or Dead Sea Bath Salts and mix into warm bath water for a healing, grounding, and regenerating bath."
- Apply 1 to 2 drops on location to assist with inflammation."
- Put 2-3 drops in a veggie capsule, adding carrier oil. Take capsule one or two times daily, as desired, to support healthy cellular function."
- Apply to the soles of the feet to support feelings of relaxation and to balance the mood."
- Diffuse during meditation to promote peace and relaxation."
- Apply 10-15 drops on the absorbent inner core of a nasal inhaler, cap the bottom, and inhale as needed."