## **LEMON**

**Botanical Name: Citrus limonum** 

Note: Top Odor Intensity: low

**KEY USES:** 

Arteriosclerosis

Arthritis

• Cellulite, cellular congestion

Colds and flu

• Depression

Indigestion

Infections

Gallstones and urinary stones

Gastric hyperacidity

Hypertension

Jet lag

Liver congestion

Varicose veins

Warts

Aroma: Clean, fresh citrus, penetrating.

Blends well with: lavender, ylang ylang, all other citrus, geranium, chamomile, eucalyptus, rose, thyme.

**Properties:** Antiseptic, anti0toxic, antiviral, astringent, bactericidal, detoxifying, digestive, diuretic, fungicidal, hepatic, immune-stimulant, laxative, stomachic, tonic.

**Emotional:** Lemon is uplifting and rejuvenating, anti-depressant, refreshing. It can clear thinking and dispel sluggishness.

**Contraindications:** Lemon has a short shelf life. Old oil used on the skin may cause an allergic reaction. Lemon is photosensitizing, so avoid sunlight and tanning beds after application. Use only in low concentrations for all skin applications and baths.

Lemon is effective in treating infections of all kinds and is believed to increase white blood cell activity. Lemon is tonifying to the circulatory and digestive systems and helps counteract acidity in the body.

## **COLDS**

3 drops rosemary

2 drops peppermint

2 drops eucalyptus

3 drops lemon

Combine essential oils in an amber glass bottle. Use 3-4 drops in a steam inhalation.

## ANTISEPTIC SPRAY FOR THE HOME

10 drops lemon

3 drops thyme

8 oz distilled water

2 tablespoons alcohol or NSP Silver Shield

Add lemon to alcohol (or Silver Shield) in a glass spray bottle. Add water. Shake before using