

White Swan,  
Washington, USA

## LABBEEMINT PARTNER DISTILLERY

Partner Since 2018

*Botanicals sourced from this partner distillery: Peppermint and Spearmint*

### PARTNER LOCATION AND BACKGROUND

Founded in the early 1940s, the Labbeemint Partner Distillery started out as a small, family-run facility and grew to become a premier peppermint and spearmint supplier. With its distillery located in White Swan, Washington, and working with mint farmers in strategic locations, Labbeemint provides a scalable, sustainable source of Peppermint and Spearmint essential oils. This partner distillery is still family run and maintains a level of unmatched supply chain honesty and transparency that makes it the ideal mint supplier for Young Living.

### BOTANICAL BACKGROUND

Peppermint essential oil is derived from the *Mentha piperita* plant, a native of the Mediterranean, though evidence of its use exists in every corner of the globe. It's difficult to know where the use of Peppermint essential oil first started. Archaeologists have found dried peppermint hanging in tombs in Egypt, suggesting that Peppermint oil could have been used in burial or religious ceremonies. In Chinese and Japanese cultures, peppermint was a common medicinal ingredient, and the herb even makes an appearance in Greek mythology in the story of Mentha.

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### DISTILLING AND TESTING

Our Labbeemint Partner Distillery is located in the northwestern area of the United States, along with the farm warehouses.

The Labbeemint Distillery works directly with mint farmers to deliver high-quality *Mentha piperita*. In the last two years, this partner has built a brand-new laboratory that offers state-of-the-art testing and analytical capabilities that will continue to help ensure the oils produced meet Young Living's Seed to Seal® quality standards.



## HOW THE DISTILLERY GOT ITS START

The Labbeemint Partner Distillery remains a family-owned business that's now well into its third generation. The distillery's founder, Jack Labbee, was an agricultural pioneer who brought peppermint roots to the Northwest back in the 1940s. He went on to become the largest single peppermint farmer in the United States—perhaps even the world at that time. Young Living is thrilled to partner with the leading producer in high-quality mint essential oils, making the Labbeemint Partner Distillery our main supplier of Peppermint and Spearmint.



## DID YOU KNOW?



Mint species are perennials and grow best in cold winters, forcing the plants to go dormant, which enhances the oil quality. With warm days, cool nights, and nutrient-rich soil, Labbeemint's location is ideal for growing mint.



Peppermint leaves grow from the plant's stems. Spearmint leaves grow almost directly on the branch. The blooms from these herbs differ, with peppermint producing purple blooms and spearmint producing pink or blue blooms.

## LOOKING AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY



**Promoting fair compensation and economic sustainability.** The Labbeemint Partner Distillery partnered in the development of a formulated mechanism that guarantees mint farmers a fair price for their oil and stability that keeps farmers in business.

**Sponsoring local schools.** The distillery sponsors many charitable causes and is the primary contributor to a local school in the Yakima area.

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