

Wildflower Planting Guide

- Choose a site that is capable of supporting plant life without prohibitive competition from weeds and shade.
- Plant in your area according to climatic conditions. Early fall in temperate zones where seedlings can survive the winter. Spring in colder zones. Late fall after frost for dormant plantings.
- Seed bed preparations means good seed to soil contact. If undesirable perennial vegetation exists kill it with the appropriate herbicide. Dry vegetation can be removed by tillage or scalping. The deeper the disturbance, the more new weed seed you will expose.
- Plant a target number of seeds per square foot. This will vary according to species, seed bed condition, moisture availability, timing of planting, and personal expectations. Plant shallow and roll or rake seeds into contact with soil.
- Moisture is essential for seedling emergence. Frequent light watering is most effective and can be provided by Mother Nature, you or both.

Tip For Success

- Wildflowers are low maintenance, but wildflower establishment is *not*. They will require the same care and attention as conventional landscaping plant choices. However, once established they can be maintained with a minimum amount of effort and input. Be sure annuals are allowed to produce a mature seed before mowing or residue removal.

Available Species

- White Yarrow
- Clasping Coneflower
- Lemon Mint
- Pitcher Sage
- Purple Coneflower
- Indian Blanket
- Purple Prairieclover
- White Prairieclover
- Common Milkweed
- Swamp Milkweed
- Butterfly Milkweed
- Showy Milkweed
- Partridge Pea
- Prairie Coneflower
- Illinois Bundleflower
- Maximillian Sunflower
- Black-eyed Susan
- Lanceleaf Coreopsis
- Roundhead Lespedeza
- Grayhead Coneflower

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WILDFLOWERS & FORBS



Create Your Own Slice of Prairie

Large portions of the central US were once dominated by grasses and colorful wildflowers called prairies. Prairies are now one of the most endangered ecosystems in the US, with only about 1% remaining.

Pocket Prairies, Prairies Gardens, and Xeriscaping are becoming popular solutions for homeowners and businesses alike, not only to reestablish this lost habitat, but to create an attractive, low maintenance alternative to traditional landscaping and lawns.

Native wildflowers and forbs tend to be hardier and more drought resistant than their introduced and naturalized counterparts. Integrating native grasses and forbs into urban settings is a great way to create havens for birds, butterflies, bees and many other creatures suffering from habitat loss in the concrete jungle.



“Good As Gold” Wildflower Mix

This blend of wildflower seeds will provide a backyard window to the natural beauty and color of our native pastures and meadows. These hardy plants are low maintenance and are adapted to a wide range of temperatures and soil types. Combine this versatility with brilliant hues of white, red, yellow, purple, and blue for the perfect expression of your landscaping creativity. Enjoy the simple beauty of wildflowers - not only do they enhance our environment, they are part of our heritage.

- Black Eyed Susan
- Indian Blanket
- Red Mexican Hat
- Cornflower
- Dames Rocket
- Blue Flax
- Lanceleaf coreopsis
- Rocket Larkspur
- Purple Coneflower
- Plains Coreopsis
- Shasta Daisy
- Clasping Coneflower
- Corn Poppy
- Purple Prairie Clover
- Showy Primrose

“Good As Gold” Pollinator Mix

Native bees, honeybees, butterflies and hummingbirds will all love the Good-As-Gold Pollinator Mix! This carefully selected blend of pollinator beneficial species will provide pollen and nectar for foraging pollinators throughout the growing season. These hardy perennial plants are low maintenance and adapted to a wide range of growing conditions. Besides being a crucial food source, this mix will provide years of stunning color and natural beauty to your garden or landscape.

- Swamp Milkweed
- Showy Milkweed
- Common Milkweed
- Butterfly Milkweed
- Partridge Pea
- Lanceleaf Coreopsis
- Plains Coreopsis
- White Prairie Clover
- Purple Prairie Clover
- Illinois Bundleflower
- Purple Coneflower
- Indian Blanket
- Maximillian Sunflower
- Black Eyed Susan
- Prairie Blazingstar
- Lemon Mint
- Prairie Coneflower

