



# PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

## FOR NATIVE POLLINATOR SEED MIX PACKET



The species in this seed mix prefer to grow in well-drained dry to medium soils in full sun. Seed mix contains a blend of annuals, perennials, forbs and grasses which bloom at different times during the growing season, so there is always something available for wildlife. The species have been selected to provide resources to native bees, birds and butterflies. At maturity, plants will range in height from 3'– 5'. One packet will cover approximately 30 – 50 square feet. Results may vary depending on site conditions and application methods.

1. For best results, prepare 30 – 50 square feet of planting area by killing off existing vegetation for one whole growing season through smothering or other means.
2. Then, after the first two killing frosts in late fall or early winter, apply seed equally across planting area. For a more even application, consider mixing coarse sand, rice hulls, or fragrance-free clay kitty litter with the seed prior to sowing. May cover lightly with straw.

Mix will take up to three years to fully establish. Cut back to 8" every third year if you wish to prevent woody species establishment and keep free of weeds until established.

If you prefer to apply in mid-late spring, soil should be lightly and thinly raked over seeds after sowing, and germinating seeds may need to be watered during their first year.

### THIS SEED MIX CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING SPECIES:

- Common Milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*)
- Butterfly Milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)
- White Wild Indigo (*Baptisia alba*)
- Sideoats Grama (*Bouteloua curtipendula*)
- Lanceleaf Tickseed (*Coreopsis lanceolata*)
- Golden Tickseed (*Coreopsis tinctoria*)
- White Prairie Clover (*Dalea candida*)
- Purple Prairie Clover (*Dalea purpurea*)
- Eastern Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)
- Canada Wildrye (*Elymus canadensis*)
- Virginia Wildrye (*Elymus virginicus*)
- Indian Blanket (*Gaillardia pulchella*)
- Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)
- Lemon Beebalm (*Monarda citriodora*)
- Wild Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*)
- Stiff Goldenrod (*Oligoneuron rigidulum*)
- Sampson's Snakeroot (*Orbexilum pedunculatum*)
- Narrowleaf Mountainmint (*Pycnanthemum tenuifolium*)
- Pinnate Prairie Coneflower (*Ratibida pinnata*)
- Blackeyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)
- Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
- Cup Plant (*Silphium perfoliatum*)
- Smooth Blue Aster (*Symphotrichum laeve*)
- New England Aster (*Symphotrichum novae-angliae*)
- Bluejacket (*Tradescantia ohiensis*)
- Tall Ironweed (*Vernonia gigantea* ssp. *gigantea*)
- Golden Zizia (*Zizia aurea*)