



WILDFLOWER SEED FACT SHEET 2022 KCD Native Plant Sale

WILDFLOWER SEEDS

KCD offers two types of wildflower seed mixes. *The Northwest Wildflower Seed* is a mix of native and non-native annuals and perennials that are well adapted to the Pacific Northwest.

The Native Pollinator Seed is a mix of annuals, perennials and bunch grasses that are native to the Pacific Northwest. Both mixes will bloom from spring to early fall, providing forage for bees, beneficial insects and birds.



SITE SELECTION, SOIL PREP AND PLANTING

Wildflower seed mixes will grow best in sunny areas with well-drained soils. Thorough site prep (weed removal) and proper planting are the keys to success.

Both mixes can be planted in the spring or fall. If planting in spring, cold stratify the seeds by storing them in a refrigerator for two weeks prior to planting.

Before planting, mix the seed with an inert material, such as sand, to ensure a more even distribution over a large area. Lightly rake the bed, sow the seeds by hand, and tamp down for good seed-to-soil contact.

MAINTENANCE

If sowing in spring, keep the bed consistently moist for about 4 to 6 weeks until seedlings are established. Remove weeds as they appear, taking care not to disturb the roots of the emerging perennials and annuals. We recommend leaving the seed heads for birds, but they can be cut back in early spring to make way for new growth.

See the links below for more detailed information on site prep, planting and maintenance:

<https://northwestmeadowscapes.com/pages/planting-advice>

<https://www.xerces.org/publications/guidelines/establishing-pollinator-meadows-from-seed>



Native Pollinator Seed Mix
Eric Lee Mader



Wildflower Seed Mix
Michael Korchonoff



Native Pollinator Seed Mix
Jenny Morgan