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WILD FLOWER SEED MIXTURES

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Who we are

Origin Amenity Solutions Ltd is a leading supplier of products and services to the amenity and landscape sector. Comprising of four leading businesses, Headland Amenity, Rigby Taylor, Symbio and TurfKeeper.com, the group has a reputation for innovation, leading edge technology, timely distribution of products and excellent customer service.

Flora Native is a collection of native UK provenance wildflower seed mixes for restoring, creating and supporting a biodiverse range of ecological habitats. Specialist Habitat 100% grass seed mixes, game cover seed plus seasonally available Yellow Rattle, heather and gorse seeds, flowering bulbs and plug plants completes the collection. Bespoke mixes to specification are available on request. Optimum sowing period is generally March to May and June to October, although seed can be sown all year round provided there is sufficient moisture and temperature for germination and establishment.

Environmental Responsibility

Origin Amenity is totally committed to ensuring its activities in the market are aimed at safeguarding the environment. It not only endeavors to meet all legislative requirements for the industry it serves but also is proactive via its own initiatives to minimize the industry's carbon footprint and promoting habitats for pollinating insects.



For information on Origin Amenity's Euroflor Urban Meadow flower seed range and the Project Pollin-8 initiative, visit **www.originamenity.com**



Quality Statement

Wildflower seeds, wild grass seeds and certain environmental crops are not subject to certification. However, our **Quality Assurance Procedures** ensure our native wildflower seed is supplied from known UK provenance. Species may vary according to seasonal availability – necessary replacements will be selected for their suitability to the described habitat.

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Widely adaptable seed mixes



Jative Wildflowers

Traditional Meadow

Includes a high percentage of deeprooted and creeping perennial species adapted to a wide range of habitats and soil types to produce a rich, wellbalanced landscape.

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code	FN1A
Order code	0324001/01WF
Sowing rate	2g/m ²
Pack size	1kg (covers 500m

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasse

Catalogue ID code Order code Sowing rate Pack size

FN1B 0324001/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Restore & Enrich

A species rich mixture for oversowing into open grassland, providing faster establishment to compete with existing grasses. Available only as 100% wildflowers, no grasses.

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID codeFN20AOrder code032402Sowing rate2g/m²Pack size1kg (col

FN20A 0324020/01WF 2g/m² 1kg (covers 500m²)





Dual Purpose

A mixture of annuals and perennials, ideal for providing colour in the first year if spring sown then evolving into a long-lasting meadow. Suitable for a wide range of soil types.

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID codeFN32AOrder code032403Sowing rate2g/m²Pack size1kg (col

0324032/01WF 2g/m² 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID codeFN32BOrder code032403Sowing rate5g/sq.mPack size1kg (cov)

FN32B 0324032/01 5g/sq.m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Jative Wildflowers Soil habitat seed mixes

Acidic Soils

For moderately acidic soils dominated by mineral or organic content e.g. peaty, heathland or moorland habitats with generally low pH 4.0-5.5

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN2A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324002/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID code FN2B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

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0324002/01 $5g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 200m²)



Clay Soils

For heavier soils which may be subject to infrequent waterlogging. Recommended for clays, silts, poor draining and low-lying areas

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN4A 0324004/01WF Order code $2g/m^2$ Sowing rate 1kg (covers 500m²) Pack size

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID code FN4B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324004/01 $5g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 200m²)

Loam & Alluvial Soils For moisture retentive yet often free draining loam and alluvial soils typically found in lowland meadows 100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN7A 0324007/01WF Order code $2g/m^2$ Sowing rate 1kg (covers 500m²) Pack size 80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses Catalogue ID code FN7B

Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324007/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Calcareous Soils

For thin, infertile soils often found over chalk or limestone, with generally higher pH 7.0-8.0.

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN3A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324003/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses Catalogue ID code FN3B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324003/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Dry, Sandy Soils

For light, free-draining soils prone to drying out in summer. Recommended for sandy and stony, crumbly loams and free-draining slopes and embankments

100% Wild Flowers

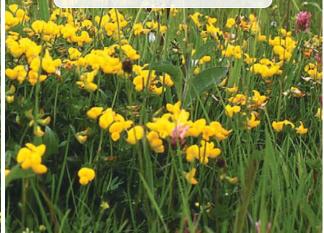
Catalogue ID code FN6A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324006/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID code Order code Sowing rate Pack size

FN6B 0324006/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)



Environment seed mixes

Coastal

For coastal areas with sandy or calcareous loams, moderate to high salinity, exposed to salt laden winds

Jative Wildflowers

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN5A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324005/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 333m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses Catalogue ID code FN5B

Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324005/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Wetland & Pond Edge

For frequently saturated or wet, low lying land alongside rivers, streams, ponds and ditches

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN8A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

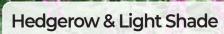
Catalogue ID code FN8B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324008/01 $5g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 200m²)

0324008/01WF

1kg (covers 500m²)

 $2g/m^2$



For light to moderate shade, alongside hedgerows and in lightly shaded woodland clearings

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN10A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324010/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses Catalogue ID code FN10B

Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324010/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Woodland & **Heavy Shade**

For moderate to heavy shade, deciduous woodland and tree plantations

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN11A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324011/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID code FN11B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324011/01 $5q/m^2$ 1kg (covers 200m²)





Conservation seed mixes

Cornfield Annuals

Over recent decades urbanisation of the countryside and intensive farming has led to a significant decline in wildflower species. This rich cornfield annual mix will help restore the balance, providing food and shelter for a host of insect and small mammal species

100% Wild Flowers

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Order code	C
Sowing rate	20
Pack size	14

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Butterfly & Bee

A species rich mixture to encourage and support a wide range of pollinating insects and wildlife ecosystems

100% Wild Flowers

Catalogue ID code FN13A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324013/01WF $2q/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses Catalogue ID code FN13B

Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324013/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)

Flowering Lawn

A beautiful mixture specially selected to provide an outstanding lawn display and attract pollinators

100% Wild Flowers

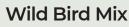
Catalogue ID code FN12A Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324012/01WF $2g/m^2$ 1kg (covers 500m²)

80/20% Wild Flowers & Grasses

Catalogue ID code FN12B Order code Sowing rate Pack size

0324012/01 5g/m² 1kg (covers 200m²)



The beautiful flowers in this mix are a source of energy for birds to feed on throughout the year, including a valuable winter food source of seeds and grains

100% Wild Flowers

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Pack size

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order code	0324014/01WF								
owing rate	2g/m ²								
ack size	1kg (covers 500m ²)								
80/20% Wild Flowers & Crasses									

Catalogue ID code FN14B Order code 0324014/01 5g/m² Sowing rate

1kg (covers 200m²)



Vative Specialist Habitat % Specialist habitat grass seed mixes

100% specialist grass mixtures are particularly valuable in the following situations:

- * Distinct soil types
- * Ecological habitat restoration & diversity
- * Soil stabilisation
- Companion sowing for 100% wildflower mixtures

Chalk & Limestone

Grasses which thrive in thin, infertile soils often found over chalk or limestone, with generally higher pH 7.0-8.0.

Catalogue ID codeFNIGOrder code03240Sowing rate5-10g,Pack size20kg

de FNIG 0324025/020 5-10g/m² (20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Coastal/Salt Tolerant

Grasses which thrive in coastal habitats and salt laden winds

Catalogue ID codeFN2GOrder code03240Sowing rate5-10g/Pack size20kg (

FN2G 0324026/020 5-10g/m² 20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Dry Soils

Drought tolerant and creeping grasses providing excellent persistency and regeneration

Catalogue ID code FN3G Order code 03240 Sowing rate 5-10g/ Pack size 20kg (

0324022/020 5-10g/m² 20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Heathland/Acidic

Grasses which thrive in lower pH soils, including fragrant and native heathland/moorland specie

Catalogue ID code FN4G Order code 03240 Sowing rate 5-10g/ Pack size 20kg (

0324024/020 5-10g/m² 20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Wet Soils

Grasses and sedges adapted to wet soil conditions

Catalogue ID codeFN5GOrder code03240Sowing rate5-10g/Pack size20kg

0324023/020 5-10g/m² 20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Woodland Grasses

Woodland grasses which tolerate moderate to heavy shade, the mixture of species provides adaptability to both wet and dry shaded conditions

Catalogue ID codeFNGGOrder code03240Sowing rate5-10g/Pack size20kg

FN6G 0324027/020 5-10g/m² 20kg (covers 2,000-4,000m²)

Yellow Rattle seed

(Rhinanthus minor)

Yellow Rattle is a semi-parasitic plant. When grown in low to medium fertility grassland in moist or well-drained soils it greatly increases biodiversity by restricting grass growth thereby allowing other species to thrive. Yellow Rattle seed should ideally be sown in autumn as it needs a prolonged period of chilling (vernalisation) through the winter to trigger germination the following spring

Order code Sowing rate Pack size 0314031/100 1-2g/m² 100g (covers 50-100m²)





Hawkbit, Autumn

Hawkbit, Rough

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Harebell

Iris, Yellow Flag

Knapweed, Greater

Our Wildflower Range gallery, characteristics and the mixtures they are in

Species C	olour	Height	Flowering Period	N.	R.	N.		R.	N.	N.	N.	N.	N.	R	S CA
AGRIMONY, COMMON		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
AGRIMONY, HEMP	Ŏ	60-120cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
ANGELICA, WILD	\bigcirc	up to 2m	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
AVENS, WATER		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
AVENS, WOOD	Ŏ	30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BEDSTRAW, LADY'S		15-30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BELLFLOWER, NETTLE-LEAVED	\bigcirc	1m	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BETONY		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BIRD'S-FOOT-TREFOIL, COMMON		up to 35cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BIRD'S-FOOT-TREFOIL, GREATER	R 🦲	30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BLUEBELL		30-40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BURNET, SALAD		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BUTTERCUP, BULBOUS		30-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
BUTTERCUP, MEADOW		30-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CAMPION, BLADDER		22-40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CAMPION, RED		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CAMPION, SEA	\bigcirc	15cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CAMPION, WHITE	\bigcirc	15cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CARROT, WILD	\bigcirc	30-40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CAT'S-EAR, COMMON		30-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CHAMOMILE, CORN	\bigcirc	30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CLOVER, RED		10-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CLOVER, WHITE	\bigcirc	10-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CORNCOCKLE		60-120cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
CORNFLOWER		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
COW PARSLEY	\bigcirc	60-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
COWSLIP		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
DAISY	\bigcirc	4-6cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
DAISY, OX-EYE	\bigcirc	30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
DAME'S VIOLET		50-100cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
DANDELION		30-40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
DROPWORT	\bigcirc	60-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
EVENING PRIMROSE		lm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT										_		
FIELD-SPEEDWELL,COMMON		up to 60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
FLAX		60-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
FORGET-ME-NOT		40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
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GYPSYWORT	\bigcup	50-100cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
HAREBELL		15-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT					_					_		
HAWKBIT, AUTUMN		15cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
HAWKBIT, ROUGH		15-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
IRIS, YELLOW-FLAG		90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
KNAPWEED, COMMON		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												
KNAPWEED, GREATER		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT												



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Species	Colour	Height	Flowering Period	N.	×		R.	R.	No.	R.	×	Ŕ	Ř	Ř	Ŕ	Ŕ	R	R.	R
LOOSESTRIFE, PURPLE		60-120cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT			Ť	Ť	•	Ť	Ť		Ĭ	•	Ť	Ť				Ť.
MALLOW, MUSK		30-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MARIGOLD, CORN		15-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MARJORAM, WILD		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MEADOW CRANE'S-BILL	Ŏ	lm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MEADOWSWEET	\bigcirc	2m	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MELILOT		60-120cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MIGNONETTE, WILD		15-30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MOUSE EAR, COMMON	\bigcirc	25-50cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MULLEIN, DARK		15-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MULLEIN, GREAT		1.8m	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
PANSY, FIELD		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
PANSY, WILD		up to 15cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
PLANTAIN, HOARY		30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
PLANTAIN, RIBWORT	\bigcirc	60-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
POPPY, COMMON		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
RAGGED-ROBIN		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SCABIOUS, DEVIL'S-BIT		50-80cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SCABIOUS, FIELD		30-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SCABIOUS, SMALL		60-70cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SELFHEAL		20cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SNEEZEWORT	\bigcirc	25-50cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SORREL, COMMON		15-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SPEEDWELL,GERMANDER		20cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
ST JOHN'S WORT, COMMON		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SWEET CICELY	\bigcirc	60-150cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
TEASEL		60-200cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
THRIFT		15-40cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
THYME, WILD		10-20cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
TOADFLAX, COMMON		30-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
VETCH, COMMON		45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
VETCH, KIDNEY		7-15cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
VETCHLING, MEADOW		50-100cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
VIPER'S-BUGLOSS		15-30cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
WOOD SAGE		50cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
WOUNDWORT, HEDGE		30-90cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
YARROW	\bigcirc	30-45cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
YELLOW RATTLE		20-50cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
OTHER SPECIES																			
LINSEED		50-60cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
MILLET, WHITE		100-120cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
PHACELIA	Ŏ	40-50cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
QUINOA	Ŏ	100-150cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																
SUNFLOWER, DWARF		100cm	MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT																





This is similar to spring squill and again occurs in grassy places near the sea. It is found naturally in the British Isles only in the South of England. It flowers from July to September.

Autumn planted.



Bath Asparagus (Ornithogalum pyrenacium) The other Ornithogalum native to Britain and found particularly in woods near Bath. Its spikes may be eaten as an asparagus-like delicacy. Flowering in June sometime after its grey-green foliage dies back. Autumn planted.



Double Snowdrop (Galanthus nivalis flore pleno) Naturally occurring double form of our native snowdrop is just as easy to grow, often flowering a little earlier than the its counterpart. It can grow to a similar height, and produces attractive flowers Spring/Autumn planted.



(Hyancinthoides non-scripta) Known as Jacinth in Elizabethan times, this is the native British bluebell with nodding slender and fragrant flowers. Flowering from April to May, its stems can be 10-30cm in length. Freshly lifted for Autumn planting.

Grape Hyacinth (Muscari neglectum)

This is synonymous with M.neglectum and believed to have been introduced into Britain. Flowering in April, it displays spikes of blackish blue flowers and prefers open well-drained soil. Autumn planted.



Snowdrop (Galanthus nivalis) Native to Wales and the West. This particular species has naturalised n most parts of the United Kingdom and provides excellent colour to a garden or meadow Spring/Autumn planted.



Summer Snowflake (Leucojum aestivum)

More likely to be spring flowering (April -May) It displays 18" foliage and white flowers like large snowdrops. Thrives in moist boggy conditions, sun or partial shade Spring/Autumn planted.



Wood Anemone (Anemone nemorosa) Also called the 'Windflower'. It prefers damp soil and light shade. Plant twig-like rhizomes horizontally, up to 1" below the surface of soil/leaf-mould. Autumn planted.

Chives

(Allium schoenoprasm var analicum) A form of the common kitchen herb, native to places in Britain. Smaller than the ordinary chives, it has delightful curly and flexuous leaves. It is one of the first wildflowers to appear in spring. Autumn planted.



Ramsons (Allium ursinum)

Also known as wild garlic and occurs widely in the British Isles in damp woods and hedgerows. Flowers in April and May, and its stem can grow to heights of around 4cm. Autumn planted.

Spring Snowflake (Leucojum vernum)

Resembles a snowdrop but the flower is more open and bell-like, with distinct green tips. It prefers moist, semi-shade locations (such as wooded areas). Flowers from March to April. Autumn planted.

Tenby Daffodil

(Narcissus obvallaris) This is the other native daffodil, and is excellent for naturalising. Easy to grow and undemanding, it reaches only 8-12 inches high and flowers in March. Autumn planted.

Daffodil, Wild

(Narcissus pseudonarcissus) The main daffodil species native to Britain is known as the Lent Lily This particular species is also suited to growing on rocky ground, grasslands and in woods where shade is common. Autumn planted.



Round-Headed Leek (Allium sphaerocephalon) Produces an attractive and striking umbel of purple flowers like a drumstick. Flowers June-July. The flowers dry out well for winter arrangement and grow to a height of 10cm. Autumn planted.

Spring Squill (Scillia verna)

This little squill is a wonderful feature in May along the cliffs of the Pembrokeshire coast path. 4 inches high with starry blue flowers, it needs an open, welldrained site. Autumn planted.



Wild Leek

(Allium ampeloprasum var babingtonii) Found wild it occurs on some rocky coasts of Cornwall, the Scillies and in S. Wales. It has purple umbels of flowers and grows from a cloved bulb. Autumn planted.

Snake's Head Fritillary

This fascinating native fritillary

in April and grows to approx. 15-40cm tall. Autumn planted.

chequered dark and light. Flowers

displays red/purple to cream

flowers which are beautifully

(Fritillaria meleagris)

Star of Bethlehem

(Ornithogalum umbellatum) White star-like flower blooms from April to May following early foliage. Wild in grassy places from N. Europe and especially suited to growing through grass. Height up to 30cm. Autumn planted.



Wild Tulip (Tulipa sylvestris) The only relative of the garden tulip found wild in Britain, flowering in April with rich yellow blooms and a delicious scent. Height of 12 inches. Autumn planted.

Pative Wildflower Establishment

Wildflower Seed

Area Selection

Wildflowers prefer a poor soil with low nutrients. Avoid ground which has been heavily fertilised in the past.

Area Clearance

If the area has been overgrown with weeds it is important to reduce the number of weed seeds in the soil. It may be necessary to allow time for the first flush of weeds to germinate and then treat with a herbicide containing glyphosate, (such as Hi-Activ Amenity) before sowing any seed. If using a herbicide containing glyphosate, you can re-seed after 2 weeks following the treatment. Once the weeds have been removed try not to disturb the soil as this may bring further seeds to the surface.

Soil Preparation

Create a seed-bed by raking and breaking up any large clumps of soil ready for sowing your wildflowers.

Seed Sowing

Timing: Seed can be sown any time from mid-March until late October. The ideal time is autumn but avoid periods of extreme heat during the summer months. *Rates*: Sow 80/20 mixtures at $5q/m^2$ and 100% mixtures @ $3q/m^2$.

Best Practice: To assist sowing it is advisable to mix the wildflower seed with a carrier (dry sand or compost). This will help in distributing the seed evenly over a large area. Ideally, the seed is best distributed using a pedestrian or hand held spreader to provide an even distribution across the surface. After applying, the seed can be lightly rolled in to ensure good contact with the soil. *Establishment:* If sowing an 80/20 mix, grasses will appear within 14-21 days. The wildflowers will vary depending upon species - some may take only a few weeks, while others can take several months.

Cornfield Annuals

Annuals will flower the same year if sown during the spring or the previous autumn.

Perennials

Perennial species will establish during the first year of sowing and flower during the second year.

Plug Plants

On Arrival

When your plugs arrive open the boxes immediately, lightly water and leave in good sunlight until they are required for planting. This will help them to recover from being in transit.

Planting Time

Planting can be undertaken all the year round provided the soil is moist. The optimum time to plant is in the autumn or spring. If planting in the summer make sure that water is available in case conditions turn hot and dry.

Planting Density

Suggested planting density is 5-7 plants per square metre. **Preparation**

Any grass should be close-mown prior to planting and the cuttings removed from the surface. It may be necessary to occasionally 'top-off' the grass down to 10cm whilst the plugs are establishing to prevent the grass smothering the plugs out.

Planting

To remove the plugs from the tray gently squeeze each one from the base and slowly pull it out. Using a trowel or a dibber, make a hole in the ground as deep as the plug itself. Gently insert the plug, firm the soil around it and water in to prevent it from drying out.



Sative Wildflower Sstablishment



Bulbs

Selecting Species

All our bulbs are suitable for naturalising in conditions that are close to their natural habitat. This means woodland types will thrive in the shade of shrubs and small garden trees and wetland plant will thrive in boggy areas around a garden pond, etc.

Planting Time

Bulbs grow best when planted whilst they are dormant in the late summer and autumn. At this time, they can be planted in large drifts in grass or under trees. Some bulbs are supplied freshly lifted for immediate planting.

Preparation

The key to successful planting is good preparation, making sure that the ground is weed free and the grass cut short to reduce competition and give the bulbs the best possible start.

Planting

In general, bulbs should be planted at a depth equal to the height of the bulb, except: snowdrops (5 cm); summer snowflakes (10 cm); daffodils (10 cm); bluebells (5-10 cm); snake's head fritillary (10 cm); wood anemone (2 cm).

Wildflower Maintenance

Spring

As grasses start to grow before the wildflowers, a spring cut in April down to 7.5cm will reduce competition from the grasses. Remove all grass cuttings to avoid adding fertility back to the soil.

If any unwanted weed species emerge these will need removing either by hand or by carefully spot treating with a herbicide. Weeds are more likely to show in the first year after sowing.

Autumn

Towards the end of the summer (August to September) most flowers will begin to die back and this is the time to make a 'hay cut'. The area will want cutting down to around 7.5cm with the cuttings being left to dry on the surface for up to a week, this will allow the cut flowers to shed their seed. The cuttings can then be raked up and removed.

If there are annuals present it is important that their seed is returned to the soil to allow them to regenerate again the following spring. To achieve this, the area will need vigorously raking or, for larger areas, harrowing. This will break the surface and allow the annual seed to make contact with the soil.





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