

# Seed A Legacy Program

## Wisconsin Monarch Butterfly Mix

Spring 2021

Species	Scientific Name	Suggested Seeding Rates	PLS lbs per acre	PLS seeds per sq ft	% of Mixture PLS	Bloom Period	Pollinator Value
Big Bluestem, VNS	<i>Andropogon gerardii</i>	--	0.400	1.32	3.78%	--	--
Canada Wildrye	<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	--	0.600	1.57	4.48%	--	--
Little Bluestem, VNS	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>	--	0.400	2.21	6.31%	--	--
Plains Oval Sedge	<i>Carex brevior</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.040	0.60	1.70%	--	--
Prairie Junegrass	<i>Koeleria pyramidata</i>	--	0.030	1.59	4.55%	--	--
Sideoats Grama, Native Source	<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i>	--	0.400	1.46	4.17%	--	--
Western Wheatgrass, Barton	<i>Elymus smithii</i>	--	0.200	0.52	1.49%	--	--
Anise Hyssop	<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	0.003 - 0.015	0.030	0.99	2.83%	3	5
Aromatic Aster	<i>Aster oblongifolius</i>	0.001 - 0.01	0.007	0.83	2.37%	3	5
Ashy Sunflower, Native Source	<i>Helianthus mollis</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.020	0.09	0.26%	3	5
Blackeyed Susan	<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	0.01 - 0.1	0.040	1.45	4.13%	2	1
Blanketflower - G. pulchella	<i>Gaillardia pulchella</i>	0.04 - 0.2	0.250	1.07	3.06%	1	4
Blue Vervain	<i>Verbena hastata</i>	0.008 - 0.03	0.030	1.04	2.96%	2	5
Butterfly Milkweed	<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.040	0.06	0.18%	2	5
Canada Milkvetch	<i>Astragalus canadensis</i>	0.02 - 0.15	0.100	0.62	1.77%	2	4
Canada Tick-trefoil	<i>Desmodium canadense</i>	0.01 - 0.03	0.070	0.14	0.40%	2	5
Common Evening Primrose	<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	0.005 - 0.04	0.030	0.95	2.71%	2	4
Common Milkweed	<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	0.03 - 0.08	0.050	0.09	0.27%	2	5
Cup Plant	<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.020	0.03	0.08%	2	5
Deer Vetch, Native Source	<i>Acemispson americanus or Lotus unifoliolatus</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.025	0.04	0.11%	3	4
Entire-leaved Rosinweed, Native Source	<i>Silphium integrifolium</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.030	0.02	0.07%	2	5
False Boneset	<i>Brickellia eupatorioides</i>	0.005 - 0.01	0.015	0.18	0.51%	3	3
False or Oxeye Sunflower	<i>Heliosis helianthoides</i>	0.03 - 0.09	0.150	0.36	1.02%	2	5
Foxglove Beardstongue	<i>Penstemon digitalis</i>	0.01 - 0.03	0.030	0.28	0.79%	1	5
Golden Alexander	<i>Zizia aurea</i>	0.02 - 0.04	0.100	0.40	1.15%	1	5
Gray Goldenrod	<i>Solidago nemoralis</i>	0.001 - 0.005	0.007	0.16	0.46%	3	4
Grayhead Coneflower	<i>Ratibida pinnata</i>	0.01 - 0.1	0.050	0.49	1.40%	2	4
Heath Aster	<i>Symphotrichum ericoides</i>	0.001 - 0.004	0.008	0.93	2.65%	3	5
Hoary Vervain	<i>Verbena stricta</i>	0.01 - 0.06	0.045	0.61	1.73%	2	5
Illinois Bundleflower	<i>Desmanthus illinoensis</i>	0.05 - 0.25	0.300	0.59	1.67%	2	5
Ironweed	<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i>	0.02 - 0.06	0.040	0.35	1.01%	2	5
Lanceleaf Coreopsis	<i>Coreopsis lanceolata</i>	0.05 - 0.1	0.200	1.01	2.90%	2	4
Late or Giant Goldenrod, Native Source	<i>Solidago gigantea</i>	0.001 - 0.005	0.006	1.04	2.98%	3	5
Maximillian Sunflower	<i>Helianthus maximiliani</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.110	0.50	1.42%	3	5
New England Aster	<i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i>	0.005 - 0.01	0.015	0.36	1.04%	3	5
Pale Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea pallida</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.120	0.29	0.83%	2	5
Plains Sunflower	<i>Helianthus petiolaris</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.040	0.10	0.30%	3	5
Prairie Cinquefoil	<i>Drymocallis arguta</i>	0.003 - 0.008	0.009	0.91	2.60%	2	3
Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	0.05 - 0.2	0.200	0.53	1.52%	2	5
Purple Prairieclover	<i>Dalea purpurea</i>	0.04 - 0.15	0.150	1.09	3.12%	2	5
Rough Gayfeather	<i>Liatris aspera</i>	0.01 - 0.03	0.020	0.13	0.36%	3	5
Rough Purple Gerardia, Native Source	<i>Agalinis aspera</i>	0.002 - 0.006	0.005	0.24	0.69%	2	4
Sawtooth Sunflower	<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>	0.005 - 0.04	0.018	0.26	0.74%	3	5
Shell-leaf Penstemon	<i>Penstemon grandiflorus</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.025	0.12	0.35%	1	5
Showy Partridgepea	<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata</i>	0.1 - 0.4	0.500	0.75	2.13%	2	5
Showy-wand Goldenrod	<i>Solidago speciosa</i>	0.001 - 0.008	0.010	0.98	2.81%	3	5
Skyblue Aster	<i>Symphotrichum oolentangiense</i>	0.003 - 0.006	0.010	0.29	0.84%	3	5
Smooth Blue Aster	<i>Symphotrichum laeve</i>	0.005 - 0.02	0.020	0.47	1.33%	3	5
Stiff Goldenrod	<i>Solidago rigida</i>	0.01 - 0.02	0.040	0.62	1.77%	3	5
Stiff Sunflower	<i>Helianthus pauciflorus</i>	0.01 - 0.04	0.020	0.34	0.97%	2	4
Sullivant's Milkweed	<i>Asclepias sullivantii</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.010	0.02	0.05%	2	5
Swamp Milkweed	<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	0.01 - 0.03	0.020	0.07	0.20%	2	5
Tall Boneset	<i>Eupatorium altissimum</i>	0.006 - 0.025	0.010	0.18	0.52%	3	4
Upright Coneflower	<i>Ratibida columnifera</i>	0.02 - 0.08	0.060	1.02	2.90%	2	2
Western Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	0.01 - 0.05	0.015	0.98	2.80%	1	2
White Prairieclover	<i>Dalea candida</i>	0.05 - 0.2	0.070	0.49	1.40%	2	5
Wild Bergamot	<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	0.01 - 0.03	0.040	1.17	3.34%	2	5
Rice Hulls - Filler for low planting rate mixtures		--	3.000	0.00	0.00%	--	--
Grasses Total:			2.070	9.279	26.50%		

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Wildflower/Forb/Legume Total:			3.230	25.738	73.50%		
Filler Total:			3.000	0.000	0.00%		
<b>Total Mixture:</b>			<b>8.300</b>	<b>35.017</b>	<b>100.00%</b>		

Bloom Period	Wildflowers Used in Mixture	% PLS Seeding Rate of Mix
1 = April to May	5	8.15%
2 = June to July	27	42.05%
3 = August to October	18	23.30%
<b>Total :</b>	<b>50</b>	

 **4.52 Pollinator Value**

**The Pollinator Value Score is determined based on a combination of factors that include:**

- The pollen and/or nectar value of the plant species.
- Bee Integrated Program research results of pollinator pollen analysis
- Unique pollinator biological life histories of the plant species.
- The ability of the plant species to establish and persist in pollinator seeding mixtures.
- The total bloom period length of the plant species.
- The occurrence in early bloom periods (Bloom Period 1) that are hard to challenging to provide resources for.
- The commercial availability of the species for use in seeding mixtures.
- Value of the plant species pollen and nectar to commercial beekeepers.
- USGS Pollinator Library tool: <https://www.npwrc.usgs.gov/pollinator/home>
- The Ecoregional Revegetation Application tool: <http://www.nativevegetation.org/era/>
- Botanical and beekeeping reference materials that list the pollinator value of species.
- Field observations of floral resource use by pollinator species.