

Seed Mixes for Wildflower Patches & Alternative Lawns



Presented here are considerations and resources for wildflower meadows and lawn alternatives. The lists of suppliers are not all inclusive and we are always adding to our list of companies that supply seed to support low water-use landscape conversions and the creation of diverse habitats.

If you have any questions about a product, feel free to contact us and we can give you additional information needed to help guide your selection. If you want this area to be included in your certified Heritage Garden, it will require additional consultation and planning with your Heritage Garden Representative (<https://www.hgcd.info/team>) to ensure your garden complies with the certification criteria.

Things to Consider

Before looking for a seed source, consider the following:

- Plant Heights & Maintenance Desires
- Your Neighbors and HOA (Some native plants are toxic to livestock; Check with your HOA to make sure they allow you to install a more free-form planting)
- Proportions of Annual/Biennial/Perennial Plants
- Water Requirements: Most will need to be sprinkler irrigated through the summer—though not as much as traditional lawns.
- The use of the terms 'Native,' 'West,' or 'Dry' does not necessarily mean the seeds are produced from plants in or native to our region, or that they do not require supplemental water.

This article discusses several of these issues: *Looking to plant an ecolawn? Clover by itself won't provide a consistently functional lawn: Ask an expert.* (Oregonian Media Group @ <https://bit.ly/42xBYjL>)

Pacific Northwest Suppliers

Northwest Meadowsapes [Port Townsend, WA] (Various)
<https://northwestmeadowsapes.com/>

ProTime Lawn Seed [Portland, OR] (Various)
<https://ptlawnseed.com/>

Rose Creek Seed [Pullman, WA] (Various)
<https://www.rosecreekseed.com/shop>

Plants of the Wild [Tekoa, WA] (Various)
<https://plantsofthewild.com/product-category/homestead-seed-mixes/>

L&H Seeds [Connell, WA] (Various)
<http://www.lhseeds.com/northwest-house-blends>

Rainier Seeds [Davenport, WA] (Various)
<https://rainierseeds.com/>

Nichols Garden Nursery [Philomath, OR] (Lawn Alternative)
<https://nicholsgardennursery.com/products/dryland-ecology-lawn-mix>

Western Suppliers

High Country Gardens [UT] (Various) <https://www.highcountrygardens.com/>
Everwilde Farms [CA] (Various) <https://www.everwilde.com/>

Other National Suppliers

American Meadows [VT] (Various) <https://www.americanmeadows.com/>
Prairie Nursery [WI] (Various) <https://www.prairienursery.com/>