

Annual Wildflower Insectary Strips

The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation has compiled an annual insectary seed mix designed to support pollinators on farms. These strips can be planted along planted rows or fence lines.

This mix can be planted through broadcasting, and has been found to be especially successful through transplanting.

BENEFITS

- ✓ Supports native pollinators by maximizing bloom window
- ✓ Can serve as a rotating strip in your production system
- ✓ May reduce pests through increasing beneficial insects



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Pollinator Program

Seed Mix Calculator

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| Species | Common Name | oz/ 1000 sq ft | oz/ 5000 sq ft | Bloom Period | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----|------|
| | | | | Spr | Sum | Fall |
| <i>Coriandrum sativum</i> | "Santo" cilantro | 3.40 | 17.00 | | X | |
| <i>Anethum graveolens</i> | "Boquet" dill | 0.76 | 3.80 | | X | |
| <i>Borago officinalis</i> | Borage | 3.73 | 18.67 | | X | |
| <i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> | Black-eyed susan | 0.054 | 0.27 | | X | |
| <i>Matricaria chamomilla</i> | German chamomile | 0.024 | 0.12 | | X | X |
| <i>Centaurea cyanus</i> | Bachelor button | 1.034 | 5.17 | X | X | X |
| <i>Helianthus annuus</i> | Dwarf annual sunflower | 0.772 | 3.86 | | X | X |
| <i>Lobularia maritima</i> * | Sweet alyssum* | 0.08 | 0.40 | X | X | X |
| <i>Coreopsis tinctoria</i> | Plains coreopsis | 0.054 | 0.27 | | X | X |
| <i>Calendula officinalis</i> | Pot marigold | 1.45 | 7.25 | X | X | X |
| <i>Gilia capitata</i> | Blue gilia | 0.116 | 0.58 | X | X | |
| <i>Fagopyrum esculentum</i> | Buckwheat | 6.966 | 34.83 | | X | X |
| <i>Phacelia tanacetifolia</i> ** | Lacy phacelia** | 0.326 | 1.63 | | X | |
| <i>Gailardia pulchella</i> | Indian blanket | 0.432 | 2.16 | | X | |
| Total oz | | 19.202 | 96.01 | | | |

*May attract pests of brassica crops like fleabeetles and harlequin bug

**Reported to attract lygus bug pests

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