



AWF 1

Shaded Areas

A carefully selected mixture suitable for shaded areas and woodlands.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo **Betony** Stachys offincinalis

Bluebell

Hyacinthoides non scripta

Foxglove Digitalis purpurea

Garlic Mustard Alliaria petiolata

Hedge Bedstraw Galium mollugo Hedge Woundwort Stachys slyvatica

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Nettle Leaved

Bellflower Campanula trachelium

Red Campion Silene dioica

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris Wild Angelica Angelica sylvestris

Wood Avens Geum urbanum

Wood Sage Teucrium scorodonia





AWF 2

Wetland Soils

Suitable for damp, moist and wet soils also on saturated banks of ponds, streams, rivers and ditches.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo Betony

Stachys offincinalis

Greater Birdsfoot Trefoil

Lotus uliginosus

Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Meadow Buttercup Ranunculas acris

Meadow Sweet Filipendula ulmaria Oxeye Daisy Leucanthemum vulgare

Purple Loosestrife Lythrum salicaria

Ragged Robin Lychnis flos - cuculi

Red Campion Silene dioica

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris **Sneezewort** Achillea ptarmica

Water Avens Guem rivale





Lime / Calcareous Soils

On soils overlying limestone or chalk, particular types of flowers can be found, and these are contained in this carefully selected blend of species.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo **Agrimony** Agrionia eupatoria

Betony Stachys offiicinalis

Black Medick Medicago lupulina

Common Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus

Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Cowslip Primula veris

Dandelion Taraxacum officinale Field Scabious
Knautia arvensis

Greater Knapweed Centaurea scabiosa

Hoary Plantain Plantago media

Kidney Vetch Anthyllis vulneraria

Oxeye Daisy Lecanthemum vulgare

Salad Burnet Sanguisorba minor

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris Wild Basil Clinopodium vulgare

Wild Carrot Daucus carota

Wild Mignonette Reseda lutea

Yarrow Achillea millefolium

Yellow - Rattle Rhinanthus minor





AWF 4

Clay Soils

This mixture should be sown on all clay soils and uses species typically found on this soil type.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2
Pack size 1kilo

Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus

Bulbous Buttercup Ranunculus bolbosus

Common Vetch Vicia sativa

Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Ladys Bedstraw Galium verum **Lesser Trefoil** Lotus corniculatus

Oxeye Daisy Lecanthemum vulgare

Salad Burnet Sanguisorba minor

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris

Teasel

Dipsacus fullonum

Wild Carrot Daucus carota



Wild Flower Management Guidelines

Select a weed-free site of low fertility.

Fertiliser should not be used, since broad-leaved and grass weeds, together with cultivated grasses contained in standard mixtures, can be highly competitive on fertile soils. This can adversely affect seed germination, establishment and subsequent growth. However, increased grass cutting can help to counteract over-competitive growth.

Control weeds before sowing. Annual weeds may be hoed, buried or killed with a contact herbicide. Perennial weeds should be eradicated by a translocated glyphosate-based herbicide.

Sow mixtures either from early March to early May, or from early August to mid-September. This will ensure optimum establishment of most species.

Cultivate the ground to provide a fine, weed-free seed bed. Firm if necessary.

Take care to sow evenly, at the recommended rate. Thoroughly mixing one part seed with four parts dry sand makes it more easily distributed.

Rake the seed in lightly with a spring-tined rake and firm the soil by treading or, preferably, rolling. This ensures that the seed comes into contact with moisture in the soil.

Water with a fine spray. This will avoid disturbing the surface of the soil. Keep the area well-watered and free from any unwanted plants.

Cut the sward every six to eight weeks during the first year after sowing and remove the cuttings. This will prevent the grass from over growing the slower growing wild flowers.

In the following years, cut in early spring, before growth starts, and in October, after all wild flower seeds have been shed.

Remove the cuttings.



WILD FLOWER SOWING GUIDE



Sowing possible

Optimum sowing window

Mixture Composition

We have carefully formulated our wild flower mixtures to meet a number of different habitats and soil types. This can range from a sandy soil to a hedgerow habitat. Low maintenance grass species (see panel below) are included in the mixture to act as a nurse crop in the early years of establishment and growth. The grasses help suppress weed invasion, whilst allowing the wild flowers to flourish.

All our AWF mixtures contain 20% native British produced wild flowers and 80% grasses (see below for details).

80% Grasses

Browntop Bent Chewings Fescue Crested Dogstail Sheeps Fescue Agrostis capillaris Festuca rubra commutata Cynosurus cristatus Festuca ovina

Slender Creeping Red Fescue Smooth Stalked Meadow Grass Strong Creeping Red Fescue

Festuca rubra litoralis Poa Pratensis Festuca rubra rubra

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British produced wild flowers



AWF 5

Acid Soils

The flowers selected in this mixture naturally occur on soils characterised by a low pH, which allows you to produce a flowery sward on a range of acid soils.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo Common Birdsfoot Trefoil

Lotus corniculatus

Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Common Sorrel Rumex acetosella

Common Toadflax Linaria vulgaris

Common Vetch Vicia sativa

Dandelion Taraxacum officinale

Devils Bit Scabious Succisa pratensis **Lady's Bedstraw** Galium verum

Meadow Buttercup Ranunculas acris

Musk Mallow Malva moschata

Oxeye Daisy Lecanthemum vulgare

St Johns Wort Hypericum perforatum

Ragged Robin Lychnis flos - cuculi **Self Heal** Prunella vulgaris

White Campion

Silene alba

Wild Basil Clinopodium vulgare

Yellow Rattle Rhinanthus minor





AWF 6

Loam / Alluvial Soils

This mixture is suitable for establishing flowery grassland on all loam/alluvial type soils and can produce a rich diverse sward.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo Betony

Stachys offincinalis

Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus

Bulbous Buttercup

Ranunculus bolbosus

Catsear

Hypochaeris radicta

Cowslip Primula veris Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Lady's Bedstraw Galium verum

Oxeye Daisy Lecanthemum vulgare

Salad Burnet Sanguisorba minor

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris White Campion





AWF 7

Hedgerows

Suitable for field and woodland margins.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo Betony

Stachys offincinalis

Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra

Garlic Mustard Alliaria petiolata

Hairy St Johns Wort

Hypericum hirsutum **Hedge Bedstraw** Galium mollugo Hedge Woundwort Stachys sylvatica

Silene alba

Red Campion Silene dioica

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris

Teasel
Dipsacus fullonum

Wood Avens Geum urbanum Yarrow

Achillea millefolium





AWF8

Sandy Soils

On free draining sandy soils we advise the use of this mixture to recreate a meadow typical for this soil type.

Sowing rate 3-5g/m2 Pack size 1kilo Black Medick

Medicago lupulina

Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus

Knapweed

Centaurea nigra

Dandelion

Taraxacum officinale Field Forget me not

Myosotis arvensis
Hoary Plantain

Plantago media

Kidney Vetch Anthyllis vulneraria

Lady's Bedstraw Galium verum Musk Mallow Malva moschata

Oxeye Daisy Lecanthemum vulgare

Perforate St Johns Wort

Hypericum perforatum

Ribwort Plantain Plantego lanceolata

Self Heal Prunella vulgaris Vipers Bugloss Echium vulgare

Wild mignonette Reseda luteola White Campion Silene alba

Wild Carrot Daucus carota

Wild Mignonette

Yarrow

Achillea millefolium Yellow Rattle Rhinanthus minor







A popular mixture which recreates the traditional wild flowers that used to thrive in cornfields prior to the advent of modern farming practices especially in relation to their reliance on herbicides. Please note that these flowers are annuals and need to be sown onto disturbed land for best results.

Sowing rate 2g/m2

55% Corn Cockle Agrostemm a githago

17.5% Corn Marigold Chrysanthe mum

segetum

12.5% Cornflower Centaurea cyanus Common Poppy Papaver rhoeas

5% Corn Chamomile Anthemis arvensis



Cornfield Annuals Mixture Management Guidelines

As the name suggests, Cornfield mixtures have been developed to re-create the traditional wild flowers that used to thrive in cereal fields prior to the advent of modern farming practices and their reliance on herbicides.

It is important to note that this type of mixture is not designed for sowing in or with grass as the flowers will struggle to compete. The species used also need yearly soil disturbance to germinate and so a grass sward is not suitable. Once established an annual bed can be maintained for many years.

When to sow:

Sow as early as possible - March or April. Alternatively, sow in the early autumn.

Sowing:

Cultivate the ground to provide a fine, weed-free seedbed. Firm the ground if necessary. Sow at the rate of 2gm per square metre. You may find it easier to mix the seed with 4 parts dry sand to 1 part wild flowers. Agitate the bag at regular intervals to ensure that seed does not all congregate at the bottom. The seed should be divided into 2 and sown at right angles so there is an even spread. Rake the seed in lightly.

Maintenance:

At the end of the summer, when flowering has finished, ensure that all seed is shaken from the mature plants as you pull them up. Remove any grass and other unwanted plants from the area before raking it level in order to provide conditions suitable for germination. Most species will germinate and establish within a few weeks, although some may not appear until the following spring. Some thinning out may be necessary. New seed may need to be sown into the area for the first 2 or 3 years to build up a really sound plant population.





Native Wild Flowers are important to all of us

Wild flowers are a very important part of the countryside as they provide a rich, colourful and diverse ecological habitat for many insects and wildlife.

They also offer great aesthetic value to enhance the natural beauty of the British countryside, parkland and gardens.



Key Uses

Our range of AWF Wild flower mixtures can be used on many types of amenity and agricultural areas including:

Parks, Gardens and Landscape areas:

The appearance of these locations can be greatly improved by having an established wild flower area. The rich and varied wild flower species give a flowering period from spring all the way through to autumn creating a colourful environment whilst providing a habitat for wildlife.

Golf Courses:

Golf Courses can provide excellent habitats for wild flowers as part of a low maintenance scheme which can help to improve the biodiversity on the golf course



Highways:

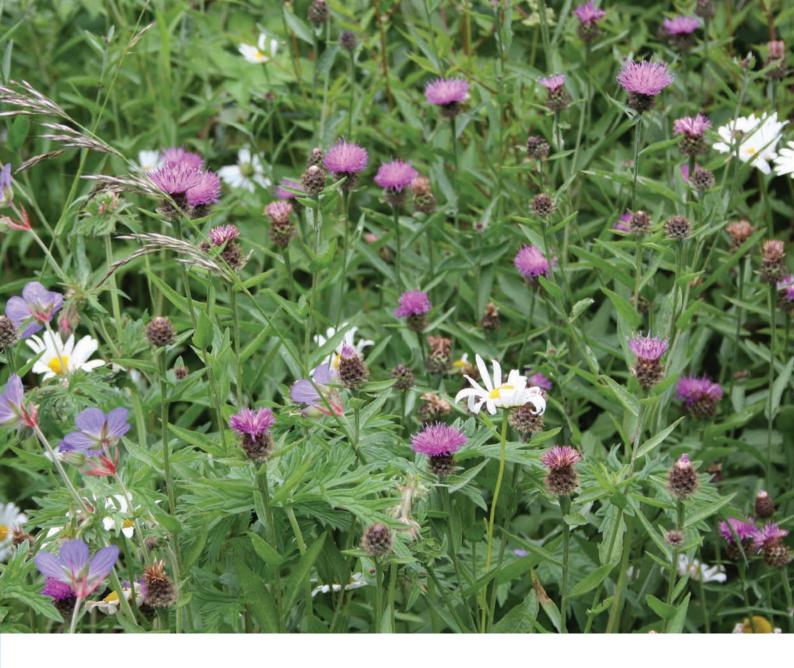
Road highway schemes are also very popular sites to establish wild flowers as they provide areas for insects and wildlife while requiring less mowing and maintenance compared to 100% grass swards

Agricultural land:

Farmers and land owners are now being encouraged to establish field margins and new areas of wild flowers which will help populations of butterflies, bees and other insects increase. This also provides habitats for game birds and other wildlife.



Over the past 50 years, the number of traditional wild flower meadows has sadly declined which has resulted in a noted decrease of British Insects. In order for pollination to take place, we need the perfect flowers to attract those all-important bees so they can ensure the plants become fertilised and produce seeds and fruit. Limagrain's eight different AWF mixtures and the Cornfield Annual Mixture which are listed in this booklet all contain some of the recommended plants on the Royal Horticultural Society's list of plants which are 'Perfect for Pollinators'. You can read more about the need for bees on the RHS website www.rhs.org.uk



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