

Planting Wildflower Seed

Wildflowers can be planted either in the **Spring**, when most people are planting their garden.

Or in the **Fall**, when Mother Nature does her planting.

SPRING PLANTING

For **Spring** planting, sow one month prior to date of last hard freeze and gently water the area for the first month or so (unless Spring rains do it for you) to enhance germination.

FALL PLANTING

For late **Fall** planting, simply scatter the seed on top of the soil or rake seed into the soil when freezing nighttime temperatures are consistent, mulch the area lightly, water once and forget. The seeds will remain dormant through the winter and germinate the following spring when the soil warms and the days are longer.

CONTROL OF YOUR WILDFLOWERS

Once established, taking care of your wildflower garden is a must. This means you should evaluate the site once a year (usually late summer) and determine if your expectations are being met. You should understand the first year will produce a dazzling display probably not repeated in years to follow. This is true because the flush of annuals in the mix tend to initially dominate the perennials. Most perennials do not flower the first year, instead expanding their deep root system to ensure longevity.



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