

West Virginia Conservation Agency

DIY Native Pollinator Seed Pack

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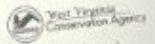


**Easy
Design!**

CREATE!

- Use your own graphic arts software for an 11" x 4.5" rack card.
- Use an online print company like Vistaprint, MOO, ProShop, GotPrint, UPrinting, Printfection, Blurb, CafePress, Kotis Design.
- Use high quality photographs, children's art, or stock photos!
- Master Gardeners, Summer employees/interns, off season work

• The 1' x 2' seedbed is to be created of vegetation and cultivated 2' deep.
 • Lightly tamp seedbed with a flat surface (flat trowel, hoe, wheelbarrow, or a cover board).
 • Reserve one 5-gallon bucket to the side.
 • Spread the contents of the seed packet evenly over the seedbed. The seed is fine, and using a garden trowel works well for even distribution. Recycle an old peyote (1/2" holes in the lid).
 • Press seed gently into the soil to ensure good seed to soil contact.
 • Using the bucket of water cover the seeds with no more than 1/2" of soil.
 • Identify water after planting, making sure you do not expose the seed.
 • Do not overwater during the germination period; you should water lightly during extended periods of no rain.
 • Most pollinator plants are perennials in the region and will allow your native pollinators to reproduce or feed in subsequent growth and blooming.
 • Blooms will begin blooming in the spring through late fall.
 • Minimize other plants from competing the successful blooming in late October.
 • Spring or summer to replant too early.
 • Fall planting? Make sure you plant the seeds after the first killing frost to allow some air circulation of germination. Planting in the fall gives you a jump start on spring blooming.
 • For fall planting, we suggest covering the seedbed with a mesh layer that can be removed in early spring soon as weather allows.
 • Make notes of the many flowers you will find, as well as the species of insects you may find attracted to them.

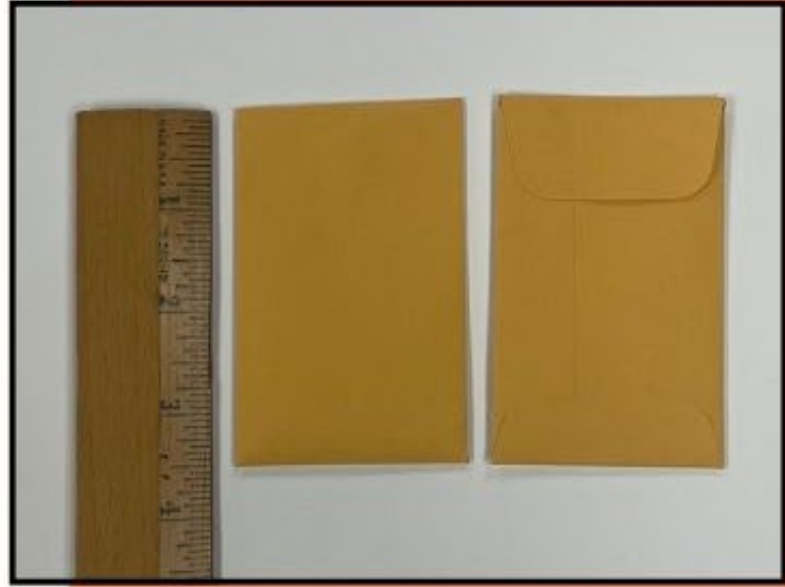
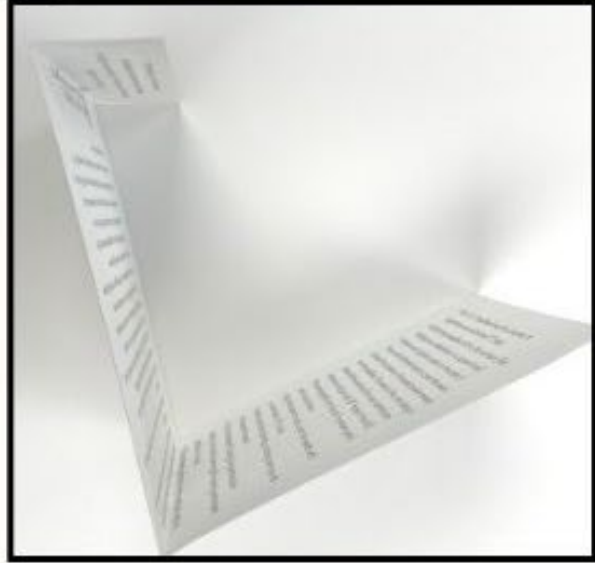


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Design as shown

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Other Supplies

- Coin envelopes
- Glue for envelope closure
- Double sided tape runner
- Clear mailing seals

