

# WILDLIFE GENETICS™



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Sincerely,  
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## MAXIMIZING YOUR FOOD PLOT'S POTENTIAL

Planting food plots is the single most effective way of attracting, growing, and keeping wildlife on your property. You should strive to have a spring, summer, fall and winter food source on your property to keep the wildlife coming year round. Whether it's your first time or you have been planting for years, the following steps will ensure you maximize your food plot potential.

### STEP 1

**Soil Testing:** The most important part of planting a food plot is taking a soil sample. Choose an area that is well drained and gets sufficient sunlight throughout the year. Take a sample of the food plot area before planting. A soil sample report provides you with the soil pH and nutrient levels in that soil. It also provides recommendations for amounts of lime and fertilizer that needs to be applied for the food plot species you are planting.

### STEP 2

**Eliminating Weeds:** Prepare your future food plot area by eliminating weeds with a glyphosate herbicide prior to planting or tilling.

### STEP 3

**Liming/Raising Soil pH:** Apply proper amounts of lime based on your soil sample recommendation. Optimum pH levels are needed for plants to fully utilize fertilizer and maximize root growth. A pH of 6.3 to 7.0 works best for most food plots.

### STEP 4

**Fertilizing:** Apply fertilizer based on soil sample recommendations before seeding. This will provide essential nutrients for proper plant and root growth, helping with good establishment and promoting continuous growth.

### STEP 5

**Proper Tilling:** tilling is necessary to work the lime and fertilizer into the soil. Proper tilling with the use of implements such as disc, roto-tiller or harrow, will work up the top 4 to 8 inches of soil. This creates a perfect seed bed to allow more seeds to germinate, creating maximum tonnage on your plot.

### STEP 6

**Seeding Your Plot:** For smaller seeds, it is best to culti-pack or roll your plot before seeding. This will create a firm seed bed. Next, broadcast your seed and culti-pack or roll again, which creates proper seed-to-soil contact. Small seeds need to be less than a quarter of an inch deep when planted. For larger seeds, use a planter, a drill, or a pull-behind spreader to dispense the seeds. Drag the seeds to lightly cover them. Plant the seeds up to ½" deep.

### STEP 7

**Maintaining Your Food Plot:** Your food plot will get a lot of grazing pressure from the resident wildlife. As long as you can maintain enough forage on your plot, you will continue to attract game to your plot and keep them on your property. Be sure to fertilize your plot annually to ensure quick recovery and maximum plant growth throughout the year.



# DESIGNING YOUR FOOD PLOT

# SEED BLEND TYPES

KNOW WHAT YOU GROW

1

Begin the  
Thought  
Process

**Create a Common Goal for the Food Plot**

- What type of animal are you looking to attract?

**Consult your Seed Professional**

- Use seed that is adapted to your climate zone.

**Ask for recommendations**

- Find out how other plots are growing and the success and failure of the mixtures.

**Select a Mixture**

- With the information gathered chose a mixture suited for your area.

2

Food Plot  
Area &  
Composition

**5% to 10% of Total Acreage**

- A minimum of 2% of total acreage for noticeable effect.

**Consisting of Food Plots, Fruit Trees, Shrubs, and Native Vegetation**

- Lime and Fertilize according to soil tests

**Promote cover for Wildlife**

- When limited amount of cover, increase by planting and cutting.

3

Obtain a  
Topographic  
and Aerial Map  
of Property

**If an open area is not available**

- Create one that is on a southern face to maximize sunlight.
- Select area that has the best soil and well drained.
- Avoid natural seeps and spring areas.

**If there is open area**

- If there are straight edges, create barriers by hinge cutting trees, planting trees or some sort of berry.
- Make use of logging roads.
- Daylight the roads for maximum sunlight.
- If getting logged, ask them to make roads wider/larger.

4

Determining  
the Site

**What to Keep in Mind When Selecting a Plot Site**

- Make sure the plot gets at least 8 hours of sunlight.
- Erosion possibilities.
- Determine wind direction for stand placements.
- Deer are more secure entering a plot with irregular lines.
- Soil Sample & apply what is recommended.
- Work soil for seeding. Make sure it is a firm seed bed prior to planting

**Size of Plots**

- Less than 2 Acres.

## Annuals

As their name implies, annual plants grow for a single season. They sprout, grow, produce a seed head and then die. Annual species are fast-growing, high-yielding forage varieties that must be planted every year. Typically they can be planted during the spring (warm season annuals) or fall (cool season annuals).

## Annual/Perennial Blends

These blends provide the best of both worlds in one food plot. Some plants grow large amounts of biomass quickly, and others provide consistent growth over several years.

## Perennial

Perennials can last up to three years - and even longer in some situations. Perennial species take longer to establish but have longer survival rates. These plants have a high protein content, increased palatability, and digestibility.



# PLANT TYPES

## Clover

Annual clovers produce high yields of easily digestible forage. Clover is relatively easy to establish, readily available, affordable, and there are a variety of species to handle most any climate or soil type. To put it simply, clovers are a very versatile deer forage. Perennial clovers are typically mixed with other perennial varieties and consistently attract large numbers of wildlife species.

## Brassicas /Turnips

Smaller annual seeds like Brassicas and Daikon Radishes, need to be planted with more care in order to sprout and grow. They produce a lush amount of forage that is 80% digestible and are high in protein to attract and hold game in your plots. Very cold tolerant, which along with nutritional quality, is one of its greatest attributes as a forage.

## Trefoil

Birdsfoot trefoil is a perennial that adapts well to production on poorly drained, low-pH soils. Think of trefoil as your food plots insurance policy. During a drought while other plot species are dwindling trefoil will thrive and is very heat tolerant. Preferred by different species of game like deer, turkey, pheasant, rabbit, and quail.

## Forage Peas /Oats

Forage peas and oats blended produce high quality forage for livestock or wildlife consumption. Oats are usually combined with the peas to support upright growth.

## Game Food Sorghum

Annual grain sorghum that typically reaches mid bloom about 40-50 days after emergence. Mature plants can grow 26" to 30" in height. The seed becomes edible at maturity and are readily consumed by upland game birds such as quail, turkey, pheasant, and other migratory birds including duck, geese and, dove. Deer are also feeders of this grain producing plant.

## Soybeans

Soybeans might be the most preferred forage of whitetail deer. When they first emerge, deer will browse the young sprouts and consume the high protein leaves and stems like candy. This will last from April or May until the plant starts to yellow in late summer or early fall. Then, for a brief time as they ripen and yellow, deer will avoid the bean fields only to return a few weeks later to once again pound the pods filled with the ripened beans.

## Corn

Add corn to a food plot as a high energy food source for cool season nutrition. Corn requires good fertility and is a heavy nitrogen user. In addition to providing a tasty meal and energy source for deer, corn makes outstanding bedding and thermal cover for deer if left unharvested.

## Chicory

A tough perennial forb that contributes to rumen health in deer. Lasts 2-5 years. Survives tough soil conditions and is heat tolerant. Excellent for fall attraction. Blends well with other food plot species for custom mixtures.

## Alfalfa

Alfalfa is a perennial with new growth produced from the crown each year. Alfalfa hay is highly palatable and nutritious with very high digestible protein, mineral and vitamin contents. Outstanding winterhardiness. Leafy, dark-green and fine-stemmed. High yield potential over a wide variety of soil types.

## Sunn Hemp

A rapid establishing warm season legume that produces large amounts of biomass. Deer prefer to forage on the leaves while other wildlife species such as turkey and quail take shelter in Sunn Hemp's natural cover/canopy.

## Eco-Till™ Radish

A forage radish that is highly palatable that not only provides a valuable food source to wild game but also serves as a nutrient mining cover crop. Assists breaking up soil compaction and restore essential nutrients to the ground level. Deer love the greens and tops of tubers. Excellent way to start a perennial food plot the following season after planting.



# HERE'S WHAT WE'RE MADE OF

## Recoil Clover Mix

Versatile mix that produces improved yields and palatability with stand longevity. When properly managed clover can produce as long as 3-5 years.

**FORMULA:** White Clover, Ladino Clover, Improved Red Clover, Alsike Clover.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 10 pounds per acre.

## One Shot Brassica Mix

Annual mix of brassicas that will provide the protein needed for the rut and the nutrients needed for the long winter months. Excellent harvest plot for the late season.

**FORMULA:** Forage Turnip, Hybrid Brassica, Trophy Rape, Purple Top Turnip.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 5 pounds per acre.

## Forage Fever Chicory & Clover Mix

Perennial mix that does better on good soil. Very aggressive under intense grazing and provides high quality forage and protein.

**FORMULA:** Improved Red Clover, White Clover, Chicory.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 12 pounds per acre.

## Sprint Maxx Mix

A spring annual forage blend of Forage Oats and Forage Peas that produces high quality forage and yield. Forage Oats have long, wide leaves with excellent forage quality. Forage Peas produce large vines and leaves for outstanding yields and forage quality.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 100 pounds per acre.

## Rack Reaper Mix

Perennial mix developed for your best ground that needs to be managed for best results. High quality varieties that are very persistent and provide quality forage and protein.

**FORMULA:** White Clover, Improved Red Clover, Alfalfa, Chicory

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 12 pounds per acre.

## SW PR Mix

Not only used for cover crops, this mix provides late summer and fall forage. Mixture of Austrian Winter Peas and Eco-Till Radish™. The combo will grow long into the winter to keep deer coming back for more.

**FORMULA:** Austrian Winter Peas, Eco-Till Radish.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 25 pounds per acres.

## Last Call Grazing Mix

Perennial mixture that is ideal for well pads, logging roads, and poor soils. Will perform very well on good soil. Contains loads of high quality forage that is packed with plenty of protein.

**FORMULA:** Crimson Clover, Improved Red Clover, Stamina White Clover, Alsike Clover, Chicory, Birdsfoot Trefoil.

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 12 pounds per acre.

## Blindsided Mix

An Ideal mix to create funnels to direct deer to the optimum spot, provide security for the deer when entering a plot or field, and create a screen to deter unwanted onlookers.

**FORMULA:** Green Grazer Sorghum Sudangrass, Forage Sorghum, Sun Hemp

**SEEDING RATE:** Sow 25 pounds per acre.

## Also Available

FIXatioN Balansa Clover, Sunn Hemp, Buckwheat, Forage Oats, Triticale, Sunflower, Wild Game Feed Sorghum, Corn (Conventional and Traited), Alfalfa, Clovers, Brassicas, Sugar Beets and Many More!





# SPRING MIXES

Only available through Orangeburg, SC and Frostproof, FL locations

## Deer Brunch Spring Mix

Our standard blend of seed for extra protein to sustain deer herd population throughout the summer months.

**FORMULA:** Soybeans, Iron & Clay Cowpeas, Sunflower, Buckwheat, WGF Sorghum

**SEEDING RATE:** 50 -75 pounds per acre.

## SW Premium Summer Mix

If you are looking to increase rack development, offer top shelf nutrition, and set yourself up for a great fall full of hunting here is the answer.

**FORMULA:** Iron Clay & Cowpeas, Sorghum Sudan, Daikon Radish, Hybrid Pearl Millet, Sorghum Sundangrass, Peredovic Sunflower, Turnips.

**SEEDING RATE:** 50 -75 pounds per acre.

## Quail Mix

Unique blend of seed to attract and maintain gamebird populations. The blend of seed will grow and flower at regular intervals throughout the growing season. .

**FORMULA:** WGF Sorghum, Iron & Clay Cowpeas, Egyptain Wheat, Sesame Seed, Korean Lespedeza, Grain Sorghum, Brown Top Millet.

**SEEDING RATE:** 75 - 100 pounds per acre.

# FALL MIXES

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## Deer Brunch Fall Mix

A solid blend of seed for extra protein to sustain deer herd population.

**FORMULA:** Triticale, Wheat, Oats, Clover, Winter Peas, Rape, Radish.

**SEEDING RATE:** 50 -75 pounds per acre.

## SW Premium Fall Mix

If you are looking to increase rack development and offer top shelf nutrition, SW Premium Fall Mix is the answer.

**FORMULA:** Winter Peas, Oats, Triticale, Crimson Clover, Vetch, Ryegrass, Jackpot Turnips, Radish.

**SEEDING RATE:** 50 -75 pounds per acre.





# PLANTING GUIDELINES

MIXTURES	TYPE	NORTH	SOUTH	PLANTING DEPTH
Recoil Clover Mix	Perennial	Spring + Fall	Spring + Fall	1/8" - 1/4"
One Shot Brassica Mix	Annual	Late Summer + Fall	Late Summer + Fall	1/8"
Forage Fever Chicory & Clover Mix	Perennial	Summer + Fall	Summer + Fall	1/8" - 1/4"
Sprint Maxx Mix	Annual	Spring + Fall	Spring + Fall	1" - 1.5"
Rack Reaper Mix	Perennial	Summer + Fall	Fall	1/8" - 1/4"
SW PR Mix	Annual	Fall	Fall	1" - 1.5"
Last Call Grazing Mix	Perennial	Summer + Fall	Summer + Fall	1/8" - 1/4"
Blindsided Mix	Annual	Summer	Summer	1"-1.5"
Deer Brunch Spring Mix	Annual	Summer	Summer	1"-1.5"
SW Premium Summer Mix	Annual	Summer	Summer	1"-1.5"
Quail Mix	Annual	Summer	Summer	1"-1.5"
Deer Brunch Fall Mix	Annual	Fall	Fall	1"-1.5"
SW Premium Fall Mix	Annual	Fall	Fall	1"-1.5"



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