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Seed List and Order Form 2024

A selection of direct-seeded vegetables, herbs and flowers from William Dam Seeds in Ontario. I've been purchasing seeds from this seed company for a number of years and have always been very pleased with the quality and vigour of their seeds. All seeds from William Dam Seeds are untreated and have been so for over sixty-five years.

Seeds are \$3.50 per packet plus gst. To order, fill in the order form below and call, text or email me your order (contact info is in the letterhead). Payment is due upon ordering. Seeds will also be available at the greenhouse, 103121 Alaska Highway, open on the weekends in May and June. Opening day is Friday May 3!

Quantity				
VEGETABLES				
Arugula	Corn Salad 'Large Leaf Round'			
OP/40 days	OP/40days			
Nutty, mildly spicy large-lobed leaves,	Rosettes of dark green oval leaves			
succession seed for continuous	with mild nutty flavour. For spring or			
harvest.	fall sowing, as it bolts in the heat.			
Bean (Bush) 'Provider'	Cress			
OP/50days	OP/40 days			
High yields of 6" long, tender green	Known as peppercress, this spicy,			
beans.	highly serrated green is delicious on			
	cream cheese sandwiches. Succession			
	seed for continuous harvest.			
Bean (Pole) 'Scarlet Greshen'	Kale 'Red Russian'			
OP/54 days	OP/50 days			
Classic runner bean with scarlet	Grey-green leaves and red stems make			
flowers and long, flat, tasty pods.	this kale pretty enough for the flower			
	garden. Tender, sturdy leaves sweeten			
	the colder the weather gets.			
Bean (Pole) 'Isabel'	Kale 'Westlandse'			
OP/55 days	OP/60 days			
Vigorous vines produce round, slender	Heirloom variety with finely curled			
pods with excellent flavour.	green leaves, prolific and tasty.			

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Beet 'Early Wonder Tall Top'	Lettuce 'Parris Island Cos'
OP/60days	OP/68 days
Round, sweet red roots, with delicious	Dark green romaine lettuce, with
tops too.	creamy white hearts. Great flavour
	and grows well in our climate.
Carrot 'Royal Chantenay'	Lettuce 'Red Salad Bowl'
OP/65 days	OP/45 days
Good variety for heavy soils, with	A cut-and-come again leaf lettuce with
great carrot taste. Excellent for both	bronze red, tasty oak-leaf shaped
fresh eating and storage.	leaves.
Chicory 'Catalogna Special Laguna'	Lettuce 'Royal Oakleaf'
OP/48 days	OP/45 days
Italian dandelion – get your bitter	A cut-and-come again leaf lettuce with
greens here! Used as baby salad	green, succulent, oak-leaf shaped
greens or full size for bunching.	leaves.
Lettuce 'Buttercrunch'	Radish 'Cherry Belle'
OP/50 days	OP/26 days
This butterhead lettuce forms sweet,	Round, red roots with great flavour.
compact heads of creamy green.	Good for coldframes. Succession
	seed for continuous harvest.
Lettuce 'Great Lakes 659'	Radish 'French Breakfast'
OP/85 days	OP/25 days
An Heirloom iceberg lettuce, crisp and	Heirloom variety with tasty, oblong
sweet.	roots that have white tips and red
	shoulders. Succession seed for
	continuous harvest.
Mizuna	Rutabaga 'Laurentian'
OP/45 days	OP/90 days
Mild mustard with sharply serrated	Globe-shaped roots with purple
leaves. The bees love the flowers, so	shoulders and yellow flesh. Sow in
let some go to seed. Succession seed	early summer to prevent bolting.
for continuous harvest.	Good storage vegetable.
Mustard 'Red Giant'	Spinach 'Bloomsdale Dark Green'
OP/45 days	OP/50 days
Robust green leaves with red edges.	High yields of glossy, dark green,
Succession seed for continuous	slightly-savoyed leaves. Succesion
harvest.	seed for continuous harvest.
Parsnip 'Albion Hybrid'	Sweet Corn 'Caffe F1'
F1/115 days	Hybrid/66 days
Long roots with white flesh are	Earliest yellow sweet corn for
uniform and reliable. A delicious	Northern climates. Sow once soil has
winter vegetable.	warmed up or indoors and transplant
	without disturbing roots.

Pak Choy 'Canton White Stem'	Swiss Chard 'Bright Lights'
OP/50 days	OP/57 days
Compact pac choy with white stems	Multi-coloured stems are pretty
and dark green leaves. Succession	enough for the flower garden. Large
seed for continuous harvest.	juicy stalks with dark green leaves.
Pea (Snap) 'Super Sugar Snap'	Swiss Chard 'Lucullus'
OP/65 days	OP/59 days
Climbing vines produce abundant	Heirloom variety with light green,
amounts of sweet, juicy 3" long peas.	lightly savoyed leaves with excellent
You can eat the whole pod!	flavour.
Pea (Shelling) 'Grundy-Perfect Arrow'	Tatsoi
OP/63 days	OP/45 days
High yields of 4" long pods filled with	Spoon-shaped, dark green leaves.
tasty peas. Good for fresh eating and	Tender and tasty, succession seed for
freezing.	continuous harvest
Purslane 'Golden'	Turnip 'Purple Top White Globe'
OP/55 days	OP/60 days
A very old garden plant, grown since	Crisp, mild and sweet, this summer
Roman times. Upright growth habit for	
	turnip can be eaten raw or cooked.
easy picking. High in antioxidants.	For tender roots, pick at 3" size.
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Basil 'Sweet'	Cilantro 'Santo' OP
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Large-leafed green basil. Best started	Slow bolting variety with large flat leaves. Allow some cilantro to flower, it provides
indoors and transplanted to	excellent habitat and food for beneficial
greenhouse. Pinch out growing tips to	insects. Succession seed for continuous
encourage side shoots.	harvest.
Dill 'Bouquet'	Chia
OP	OP/Salvia hispanica
Tall plants with many feathery leaves.	Popular seed used in nutritional
Allow some dill to flower, it provides	snacks. Bushy green plants with blue
excellent habitat and food for beneficial	flowers.
insects. Succession seed for continuous	nowers.
harvest.	
Cumin	Salad Burnet
Cumin cyminum/A	Sanguisorba minor/P
The classic seed in many cuisines. Fine	Young leaves add cucumber flavour to
foliage and flowers benefit from	salads. Use as a savoury herb. Direct
staking.	seed or start in large plugs and
	transplant.
	FLOWERS
Amaranthus 'Red Tails'	Nigella 'Miss Jekyll Mix'
Amaranthus caudatus/A	Nigella damascena/A
Also know as Love-Lies-Bleeding, an old-	Also known as Love-In-A-Mist, this pretty,
fashioned country garden plant, with	easy to grow annual has exotic-looking
trailing ropes of bright red flowers	flowers in a mix of blue, white and rose
	shades. Unusual seed pods too!

Bachelor's Buttons 'Artisic Magic Mix'	Orlaya 'White Lace'
Centaurea cyanus/A	Orlaya grandiflora/A
Lovely flower shades from pale pink to	Fragrant, small, white flowers form
dark plum. Great for pollinators and	large umbels, perfect for pollinators.
easy to grow.	Great cut flower, best in full sun.
	Phacelia 'Bee Friend'
Bachelor's Buttons 'Blue Boy'	
Centaurea cyanus/A	Phacelia tanecetifolia/A
The classic, clear blue cornflower,	An outstanding plant for bees and
great for pollinators and easy to grow.	beneficial insects. Whorls of soft
	purple flowers on lacey foliage
Celosia 'Pampas Plume'	Poppy 'California Poppy'
Celosia plumosa/A	Eschscholzia californica/A
Airy plumes in a wide range of colours.	Fine, ferny foliage support bright
Drought tolerant once established,	orange blooms. Easy to grow and
best in full sun.	great for pollinators.
Clarkia 'Choice Mix'	Poppy 'Prickly Poppy'
Clarkia elegans/A	Argemone platyceras/A
Great cutflower, with fully double	Poppies are great plants for
blooms in a range of white, pink and	pollinators. Prickly poppy has large,
purple shades. Best in full sun.	white, papery blooms.
Coreopsis 'Incredible Mix'	Poppy 'Double Shirley Mix'
Coreopsis x hybrida/A	Papaver rhoeas/A
Easy to grow flower, with a range of	Double flowers in shades of pink, red,
flower colours from yellow to	rose, white and salmon. Great for
burgundy. Great for pollinators.	pollinators and easy to grow.
Emilia 'Scarlet Magic'	Sunflower 'Autumn Beauty'
Emilia coccinea/A	Helianthus annuus/A
An uncommon summer garden flower.	Multibranched plants sport
Small red flowers and an airy growing	sunflowers in shades of red, brown
habit.	and yellow. A great cutlfower.
Malcolmia 'Spring Sparkle'	, ,
Malcolmia maritima/A	
An easy to grow, dwarf plant covered	
with delicate flowers in shades of rose	
to lilac blue.	
Nigella 'Blue Stars'	
Nigella bucharica/A	
An unusual Nigella, with star-like blue	
flowers growing over the whole plant.	
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GREEN MANURES AND COVER CROPS

Green manures are used to add organic matter to soil. They are cut down and incorporated into the soil (planting where the green manure crop was growing happens 4-6 weeks after tilling or the following season). The added organic matter feeds the soil's microbes (soil microbes are a very important part of the soil food web). Healthy, productive soil has a healthy population of soil microbes. In the process of feeding on the organic matter, soil microbes are breaking down and converting that organic matter into nutrients, which then feed the plants we want to grow! Green manures can be sown in fallow sections of the garden or where crops won't be grown in a season or sown after a crop is removed. Green manures are generally annuals. Using a legume, such as clover, also fixes nitrogen, which will be available for the next season's crop.

Cover crops are used to protect soil from erosion and compaction and they are generally sown in autumn. They are incorporated into the soil the following spring. Cover crops can also be interseeded with annual crops, providing pathways or acting as a living mulch.

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Buckwheat Fagopyrum esculentum/Annual (certified organic seed) The fastest growing summer green manure. It's fast growth makes it a great smother crop for other weeds. Buckwheat is an excellent scavenger of Phosphorous and Potassium (two of the macro-nutrients that plants need to thrive), making it available for the next crop. Plant when soil has warmed up and danger of frost is past. Buckwheat should not be allowed to flower, so allow to grow for 4-6 weeks and incorporate it into the soil before flowering occurs.	0.03/gr	Phacelia Phacelia tanecetifolia/A Fast growing, with a purple flower and abundant foliage, providing a large amount of organic matter. The bonus on this plant is to allow it flower: the fragrant flowers are very attractive to bees and will provide a rich nectar source til frost. Use as a green manure or cover crop in areas that aren't being used and sow in spring. Phacelia germinates best in darkness, so be sure to cover seed well. Incorporate into soil in autumn or the follwing spring. Our solitary bees and bumble bees will thank you!	0.15/gr	
Crimson Clover Trifolium incarnatum/Annual Fast growing, nitrogen-fixing green manure. Sown in spring or early autumn, this legume atmospheric nitrogen gas in nodules on it's roots (this is done through an association with soil bacteria - incredible!).This nitrogen will be available to the following crop. Incorporate into the soil in autumn or the following spring. Large leaves and striking crimson flowers provide a large amount of organic matter. The bees love the flowers too!	0.05/gr	White Clover Trifolium repens/Perennial A short, perennial clover, ideal for pathways, interseeding in lawns and garden beds or using as a living mulch. Sow in spring, and allow plants to establish before walking on them or mowing. As a legume, it will fix atmospheric nitrogen gas in nodules on it's roots (this is done through an association with soil bacteria – incredible!). This nitrogen will be available to the plants around it. This is a case of plant it and leave it alone, as it's nitrogen-fixing starts after one season's growth.	0.07/gr	
		Seed Packets: x \$3.50 =		
		GST @ 5% =		
		Total Seed Packets =		

Buckwheat:gr @ 0.03/gr =	
Crimson Clover:gr@0.05/g =	
Phacelia:gr @ 0.15/gr =	
White Clover:gr @ 0.07/gr =	
GST @ 5% =	
Total Green Manure Seed =	

The above seed list may change without notice, appropriate substitutions will be made.

Sow seeds at a depth of three times the size of the seed. The above seeds are direct-seeded, meaning the seeds can be sown directly where they are going to grow, usually outdoors after last frost. Thin or transplant to allow space to grow.**Shipping is available, let me know upon ordering you'd like them mailed and I will add the shipping costs to your order**