
Species Description: Arroyo Lupine

Coverage: 0.8lbs of seed covers 2,000 Sq Feet Small Shaker Bottle: 0.8lbs of Seed

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Arroyo lupine is a stunning perennial native to California, known for its vibrant blue to purple flowers that bloom in the spring and early summer. This legume boasts a bushy growth habit and lush green foliage, making it a beautiful addition to wildflower gardens, borders, and naturalized landscapes.

Site Selection:

Choose a location that receives full sun (at least 6 hours of direct sunlight per day). Ensure the soil is well-draining, as arroyo lupine does not tolerate standing water.

Soil Preparation:

Arroyo lupine prefers sandy or loamy soils, so avoid heavy clay soils if possible.

Planting Time:

The best time to plant arroyo lupine is in the fall or early spring, ideally after the last frost for spring planting.

Sowing Seeds:

Seed Scarification: Because lupine seeds have a hard outer shell, it is beneficial to scarify them by lightly sanding the seed surface or soaking them in water overnight to improve germination.

Plant seeds approximately 1/2 inch deep and 2 to 4 inches apart.

Space rows about 1 to 2 feet apart for better air circulation and plant health.

Watering:

Water the seeds lightly after planting to keep the soil moist but not soggy.

Once established, arroyo lupine is drought-tolerant and will require less frequent watering.

Maintenance:

Mulching around the plants can help retain soil moisture and suppress weeds.

Regularly check for pests and diseases, but arroyo lupine typically has few issues due to its adaptability.

By following these planting instructions, you can successfully grow arroyo lupine and enjoy its beauty while contributing to California's native ecosystem.