



Starflower Planting Guide

About Starflowers

Sometimes known as "drumstick flower," Starflower features pale blue flowers that turn into bronze-colored seed heads. Grown usually for the papery seed pods, which are excellent for both fresh and dried bouquets.

When to Plant

Direct sow Starflower seeds about 2-3 weeks before the final frost of the spring. Starflower seeds can also be started indoors, 4-6 weeks before the final frost date in spring.

Where to Plant

Starflower can thrive in locations that receive full sun to partial shade conditions, ideally 6-8 hours of sunlight exposure per day. Choose rich, moist well-draining soil for your Starflower seeds - if needed, peat moss and sand can be amended into the soil to help ensure proper drainage.

How to Plant

Sow Starflower seeds onto the surface of the soil, and compress firmly. Do not cover your Starflower seeds, as they require sunlight in order to germinate. Seedlings will germinate in approximately 10-12 days.

Caring for Starflowers

Once established, Starflower requires very little care or maintenance. Starflower will self-sow if allowed to go to seed - to control this, deadhead spent flowers before seed pods develop. Cut down growth that dies back in the fall, and clear the debris.