



# Wildlife Food Plot Planting Guide For the Southeast



Crop	Forage Class <sup>A</sup>	Varieties	Planting Dates	Planting Rate (lbs./acre) <sup>B</sup>			Wildlife
				Drill	Broadcast	Inoculant <sup>C</sup>	
Alyceclover	L/A		May 1 – June 15	15	20	EL	Deer
Aeschynomene (American Jointvetch, Deervetch)	L/A	Lee, Glenn	March 15 – June 15	15	20	EL	Deer-Dove-Quail
Alfalfa	L/P	Alfagraze, Amerigraze 401 & 702, Ameristand, Bulldog 505	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	15	20	A	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Austrian Winter Peas	L/A	Granger, Fenn, Melrose	Sept. 1 – Nov. 1	30	40	C	Deer-Turkey
Benne or Sesame	F/A	(90- to 120-day maturity)	April 1 – June 30	5	10		Dove-Quail
Birdsfoot Trefoil	L/P	AU Dewey, Fergus (best in a mix with grasses or other legumes)	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	6	10	K	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Brassicas	F/A	Available varieties of Rape, Kale, Turnip, Canola	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	5	10		Deer-Rabbit-Turkey
Buckwheat	F/A	Japanese, Silverhull, CommonGray, Mancan, Manor, Royal, Tokyo	May 1 – June 1	40	60		Deer-Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Burnett, Small	F/P	Delar	March 1 – May 1	5	10		Deer-Quail
Chicory	F/P	Choice, Puna, Puna II, Brow Tyne, Six Point, Oasis	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	2	4		Deer-Rabbit-Turkey
Chufa	G/A	Turkey Gold, Wingmaster	April 1 – June 1	25	40		Deer-Turkey-Duck
Clover, Arrowleaf	L/A	Meeche, Yuchi, Amclo, Apache	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	10	15	O	Deer-Turkey-Rabbit
Clover, Ball	L/A		Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	2	3	B	Deer-Turkey
Clover, Berseem	L/A	Bigbee, Tibbee	Sept. 1 – Oct. 1	10	20	R	Deer-Turkey
Clover, Crimson	L/A	Chief, Autauga, Dixie, Tibbee, Auburn, Talladega	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	20	30	R	Deer-Turkey-Rabbit
Clover, Ladino (White) <sup>D</sup>	L/P	Osceola, Regal, Louisiana-S1, Patriot, Durana, Regalgraze	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	4	5	B	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Clover, Red	L/P	Kenland, Redland Max, Redland Graze, Redland III, Bulldog, Kenstar	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	8	12	B	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Clover, Subterranean	L/A	Woogenellup, Mt. Barker, Daliak, Clare, Nuba, Nungarin	Aug. 15 – Oct. 15	15	20	WR	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Corn <sup>E</sup>	G/A	Commercial varieties Dwarf Tropical	March 15 – June 1	12	15		Deer-Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Cowpeas	L/A	Iron Clay, Red Ripper, Combine	May 1 – July 1	15	45	EL	Deer-Quail-Turkey
Egyptian Wheat	G/A		April 1 – June 1	5	15		Dove-Quail-Turkey
Grain Sorghum <sup>E</sup>	G/A	Kafir, Hegair, Dwarf Milo, Commercial varieties (90-to 115-day maturity, depending on variety)	April 15 – June 15	10	15		Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Lab Lab	L/A	Rongai, Highworth, Rio Verde	April 1 – June 1	5	10	EL	Deer-Rabbit
Lespedeza, Annual	L/A	Common, Kobe, Korean	March 1 – April 1	20	30	EL	Quail-Turkey
Lespedeza, Shrub <sup>F</sup>	L/P	Amquail Thunbergii, Attaway, Bicolor 101	March 1 – April 1	6	12	EL	Quail
Millet, Browntop	G/A	Commercial varieties (60- to 65-day maturity)	May 1 – August 1	15	25		Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Millet, Proso	G/A	Dove Proso, White Proso (75-day maturity)	May 1 – June 30	15	30		Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Millet, Foxtail	G/A	Common, German, Hungarian (90-day maturity)	May 1 – July 1	15	25		Dove-Quail-Turkey
Millet, Japanese	G/A	Common, Chiwapa, Golden Millet (80- to 120-day maturity, depending on variety)	May 1 – August 1	12	25		Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Oats	G/A	Arkansas 604 & 833, Buck Forage, Buck Magnet Chapman, Coker, Dallas, Florida 501, Harrison Horizon 314, Rogers, TAM 606	Aug. 15 – Oct. 15	90	120		Deer-Dove-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Partridge Peas	L/A	Lark Selection, Showy, Commanche	Feb. 1 – May 1	6	10	EL	Quail
Rye	G/A	Elbon, Wrens Abruzzi, Wondergraze, Vitagraze Wintergrazer 70, Maton, Bates	Aug. 15 – Oct. 15	90	120		Deer-Dove-Quail-Turkey
Ryegrass <sup>G</sup>	G/A	Commercial varieties, Gulf, Tetraploid, Marshall Passerel Plus	Sept. 1 – Nov. 1	20	30		Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Soybeans <sup>E</sup>	L/A	Commercial varieties, Tyrone, Hutchinson	April 15 – June 1	30	60	S	Deer-Dove-Duck-Quail-Turkey
Soybeans, Wildlife	L/A	Quail Haven, Laredo	April 15 – June 15	10	25	S	Deer-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Sunflower <sup>E</sup>	F/A	Commercial Black Oil Hybrids, Peredovick (120-day maturity)	April 1 – May 15	4	15		Dove
Triticale	G/A	Tamcale 5019, Beagle 82, Trical 102 & 336	Aug. 15 – Oct. 15	90	120		Deer-Turkey
Vetch	L/A	Bigflower; Hairy-Madison, Auburn, Americus, Oregon, Lana; Common-AU Olympic, Willamette	Sept. 1 – Oct. 15	20	30	C	Deer-Dove-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit
Wheat	G/A	Commercial forage varieties, Longhorn, Lockett, GA Gore, Saluda	Aug. 15 – Oct. 15	90	120		Deer-Dove-Quail-Turkey-Rabbit

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<sup>A</sup> Forage classes: A = Annual; F = Forb; G = Grass; L = Legume; P = Perennial

<sup>B</sup> All of the above planting rates assume a complete stand for each species. If you plan to mix species, reduce planting rates (such as when broadcasting a 50/50 mixture of wheat and oats, use 60 lbs of each for a total of 120 lbs)

<sup>C</sup> Purchase either preinoculated legume seed or inoculate with the appropriate inoculant before planting.

<sup>D</sup> This seeding rate is based on preinoculated seed coated with clay/lime. Use 2 (drill) or 3 (broadcast) pounds of uncoated seed.

<sup>E</sup> Broadcasting seed is not recommended for these plantings. Drilling seed in rows improves forage and seed production.

<sup>F</sup> Potentially invasive non-native species; may require mechanical and herbicidal control in some situations.

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