

Linum lewisii

Wild Blue Flax, Prairie/Lewis Flax



Plant type:	Perennial (reseeds profusely)
Season of Interest:	Mid-spring to mid-summer; may rebloom in fall
Height: 12-24"	Spread: 12-18"
Water needs:	Moderate, low, dry
Native Region:	CO, AZ, KS, NE, NM, OK, TX, UT, WY
Elevation:	to 11,400'
Important to know:	Watch out for slugs and aphids



Maintenance:	Low
Characteristics:	Showy
Garden uses:	Beds/borders, patio/containers
Habitat:	Plains, foothills, open woodlands, meadows



Ease of Propagation: Easy

Propagation: Blue Flax seeds germinate best when exposed to broad temperature fluctuations before consistently exposed to 70°F (spring weather). The easiest way to provide temperature swings is to sow the seeds in early winter either in cells/pots or in situ. Cover lightly. Pile snow on the cells regularly during the winter or water during dry spells. Germinates ~1 week after the last frost date.