



**Douglass  
King Seeds**

# Trophy Forage+ Food Plot Mix

**Best time to plant:**

September and October

**Planting Rate:**

50 lbs per acre

**Planting Depth:**

1/2-1 inch. deep

**Sunlight:** 6 to 8 hrs per day

**Soil Type:** Works on a variety of soil types

**Regions:** Texas

**Height:** 1 –2 feet tall

**Use:**

Deer Food Plot

Cover Crop

It is recommended to plant in narrow strips to maximize edging, as deer prefer to stay along the sides, close to cover

We also have all items available individually!

Trophy Forage Plus is a mixture of hairy vetch, oats, triticale, winter wheat, and winter peas. The addition of winter peas adds extra protein to the mix and nitrogen to the soil. This mix is composed of highly nutritious and palatable forages intended not only to attract deer in the fall, but to provide protein and nutrients during the winter/early spring months, when deer need to regain weight and begin early antler development.

**In The Mix**

**Hairy Vetch**— A large seeded legume that provides good seedling vigor and growth. It is a widely adapted, high protein legume often grown with small grains for forage.

**Oats**— Used primarily as an attractant for hunting and forage for livestock, oats are a good energy source. They are also drought tolerant and can be planted in a variety of soil types.

**Triticale**— A cross between wheat and cereal rye, triticale combines the positive characteristics of both plants, while offering better disease resistance.

**Winter Wheat**— A good winter forage and attractant with the same growing season as oats but more cold tolerant.



**Winter Peas**— Winter peas are a vining legume that make an excellent high-protein forage for deer. They are also superb for soil improvement.

**Tips for Success**

- Avoid monocultures; plant a mix instead. By planting several species, you will be including species that have different maturity dates and weather tolerances. This strategy will provide forage for a longer duration of the year.
- Always check the planting depth of your food plot seed. Planting too shallow or too deep can result in a poor stand.
- Proper soil preparation well in advance of seeding will significantly enhance your success rate.



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# Getting the Best Success from Your Seed

The key traits of a person who has a “green thumb” are patience and attention.

Patience is needed because all of your seed will not germinate at once. Attention is needed to ensure that you plant your seed at the right depth and at the optimal time.

Seeds have limited energy, if planted too deep they use up their energy before reaching the surface and die. However, if you plant too shallow the seed could dry out, blow away, or be eaten by birds.

Focus on the things you can control:

1. **Planting Depth**—Pay attention to the recommended planting depth for each species. For many of the species we sell, a quarter-inch deep is all that is needed.

2. **Timing is Everything!**—It’s very important to know when to plant. If you get it in the ground during the optimal windows of time, the plants know when to grow. They need adequate moisture and ideal soil temperature. Moisture is something we can control; temperature we cannot. Plant during the recommended planting time and, if possible, irrigate the area for ideal moisture.

3. **Know Your Region**—Plant the right seed for your region. If you don’t know what your region is, ask us!

4. **Prepare the Seedbed**—Preparing the seedbed before you plant is very important. Try to remove all the other vegetation prior to planting by tilling or spraying an herbicide. The soil should be soft but not too loose. A good indicator is if your shoes leave a print in the soil, but don’t sink in.

5. **Know Your Seed Type**—Getting your seed spread out in an even matter will help you ensure a successful planting. Seed spreaders can help, but only if you get the tool that works best with your type of seed. For small areas, like a garden, hand spreading will work. **It is important to match your seed to your planter or your planter to your seed!**

## Ask For Advice From the Pros!

If you have any questions, we are just a phone call away! But we are not the only ones with a wealth of knowledge. State and federal wildlife agents are invaluable sources of information and advice. County Extension Agents with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service (<https://agriflifeextension.tamu.edu/>),

*The best advice we can give is this: Do not cut corners— You can cut enough corners to ensure a failure!*