

NATIVE SEED CERTIFICATION

What is Native Seed Certification?

Native plants are often used for re-vegetation of roadsides, construction sites, wildlife plantings and other projects. MCIA's Native Seed Certification Program verifies that the genetic identity of native grasses and forbs (wildflowers) has been maintained through all phases of seed production.

How is Native Seed Certified?

The certification process consists of several steps which include seed source verification, inspection of seed production sites and seed testing. MCIA issues seed labels or certificates to producers whose production has met all certification standards.

Who Produces Native Certified Seed?

Native seed is produced by careful, conscientious growers according to certification standards designed to preserve the genetic identity of native plant species. MCIA surveys producers in the fall and spring to determine availability. The survey results are posted on the MCIA website at www.mncia.org.

Why Buy Certified Native Seed?

Certified native seed provides seed buyers with third party assurance that the genetic identity or source of native grasses and forbs is accurately described on the label.

What Should I Look For?

Three different germplasm types are possible based on the amount of intentional selection that has taken place. They are:

Source Identified, marked with a yellow certification tag.

Selected marked with a green certification tag.

Tested, marked with a blue certification tag.

Alternatively, a Certification Certificate may be provided as proof of certification to buyers of certified native seed.



For more information, call MCIA or visit our web site at www.mncia.org.

SOURCE IDENTIFIED MATERIAL (YELLOW TAG)

LATIN NAME COMMON NAME	PRODUCER	GENETIC ORIGIN
<i>Agastache foeniculum</i> Blue giant hyssop	JSO Farms	Ramsey Co, MN
<i>Agastache scrophulariifolia</i> Purple giant hyssop	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Allium cernuum</i> Wild onion	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Allium stellatum</i> Prairie onion	JSO Farms	Faribault Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN
<i>Amorpha canescens</i> Leadplant	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Kittson Co, MN
	Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Rice Co, MN
<i>Andropogon gerardi</i> Big bluestem	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Benton Co, MN
	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Marshall Co, MN
	Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Dakota Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN, Vernon Co, WI
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Southeast WI
<i>Anemone canadensis</i> Canada anemone	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Fillmore Co, MN
<i>Anemone cylindrica</i> Thimbleweed	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i> Wild columbine	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Kandiyohi Co, MN
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> Swamp milkweed	JSO Farms	Martin Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN, McLeod Co, MN
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i> Butterfly milkweed	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN, McLeod Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Astragalus canadensis</i> Canada milkvetch	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA

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<i>Baptisia alba</i> White false indigo	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA, Fillmore Co, MN, Howard Co, IA
<i>Bouteloua curtipendula</i> Side-oats grama	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc. Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds	Douglas Co, MN Pope Co, MN Crawford Co, WI, Houston Co, MN Waukesha Co, WI
<i>Bouteloua gracilis</i> Blue grama	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Kittson Co, MN
<i>Bromus kalmii</i> Kalm's brome	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i> Bluejoint	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Carex bicknellii</i> Bicknell's sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN
<i>Carex pellita</i> Woolly sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Carex radiata</i> Eastern star sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN, Morrison Co, MN
<i>Carex scoparia</i> Broom sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Benton Co, MN Rice Co, MN
<i>Carex sprengei</i> Long-beaked sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Morrison Co, MN
<i>Carex stipata</i> Awlfruit sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Moon Nursery Shooting Star Native Seeds	Benton Co, MN Houston Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Carex stricta</i> Tussock sedge	Prairie Moon Nursery	Winona Co, MN
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i> Brown fox sedge	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Moon Nursery	Benton Co, MN Winona Co, MN
<i>Ceanothus americanus</i> New Jersey tea	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN

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<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata</i> Partridge pea	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA, Houston Co, MN
<i>Chamaenerion angustifolium</i> Fireweed	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Mille Lacs Co, MN
<i>Cirsium discolor</i> Field thistle	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Washington Co, MN
<i>Coreopsis palmata</i> Stiff tickseed	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Dalea purpurea</i> Purple prairieclover	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Kittson Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA, Winneshiek Co, IA
<i>Desmodium canadense</i> Showy tick trefoil	JSO Farms	Butternut Valley - Blue Earth Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN
	Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Rice Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Doellingeria umbellata</i> Flat-top aster	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Echinacea angustifolia</i> Narrow-leaf purple coneflower	JSO Farms	Faribault Co, MN
<i>Elymus canadensis</i> Canada wildrye	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA, Crawford Co, WI
<i>Elymus hystrix</i> Bottlebrush grass	JSO Farms	Faribault Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN, Wright Co, MN
<i>Elymus villosus</i> Silky wildrye	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Morrison Co, MN
<i>Elymus virginicus</i> Virginia wildrye	Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Rice Co, MN
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i> Boneset	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN

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<i>Eutrochium maculatum</i> Spotted joe-pye-weed	Prairie Moon Nursery	Winona Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Festuca subverticillata</i> Nodding fescue	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Morrison Co, MN
<i>Geum triflorum</i> Prairie-smoke	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Glyceria grandis</i> American mannagrass	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Glyceria striata</i> Fowl mannagrass	Prairie Moon Nursery	Winona Co, MN
<i>Helenium autumnale</i> Sneezeweed	JSO Farms	Faribault Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Morrison Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i> Sawtooth sunflower	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Helianthus pauciflorus</i> Stiff sunflower	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Heliopsis helianthoides</i> Ox-eye sunflower	JSO Farms	Blue Earth Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN
	Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Dakota Co, MN
<i>Hesperostipa comata</i> Needle-and-thread	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Hesperostipa spartea</i> Porcupine grass	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Heuchera richardsonii</i> Richardson's alumroot	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Ottertail Co, MN
<i>Iris versicolor</i> Blue flag iris	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i> Junegrass	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Leersia oryzoides</i> Rice cutgrass	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN

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<i>Lespedeza capitata</i> Round-headed bushclover	JSO Farms Prairie Meadows Native Seed Shooting Star Native Seeds	Watonwan Co, MN Rice Co, MN Crawford Co, WI, Houston Co, MN
<i>Liatris aspera</i> Rough blazingstar	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC JSO Farms Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Polk Co, MN Faribault Co, MN Dakota Co, MN
<i>Liatris ligulistylis</i> Meadow blazingstar	Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds	McLeod Co, MN Howard Co, IA
<i>Liatris punctata</i> Dotted blazingstar	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i> Prairie blazingstar	Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds	McLeod Co, MN Winneshiek Co, IA
<i>Lobelia siphilitica</i> Great blue lobelia	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Lupinus perennis</i> Wild lupine	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i> Wild bergamot	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed Shooting Star Native Seeds	McLeod Co, MN Rice Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Monarda punctata</i> Dotted mint	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Isanti Co, MN
<i>Oenothera biennis</i> Evening primrose	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Panicum virgatum</i> Switchgrass	JSO Farms Shooting Star Native Seeds	Blue Earth Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Pediomelum argophyllum</i> Silvery scurf-pea	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Penstemon gracilis</i> Slender beardtongue	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN
<i>Phlox pilosa</i> Prairie phlox	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN

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<i>Physostegia virginiana</i> Obedient plant	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Morrison Co, MN
<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i> Common mountainmint	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed Prairie Meadows Native Seed	McLeod Co, MN Dakota Co, MN Rice Co, MN
<i>Ratibida pinnata</i> Gray-headed coneflower	JSO Farms Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Houston Co, MN Dakota Co, MN
<i>Rosa arkansana</i> Prairie rose	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> Black-eyed Susan	JSO Farms JSO Farms	Houston Co, MN Martin Co, MN
<i>Sagittaria latifolia</i> Common arrowhead	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> Little bluestem	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc. Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds	Marshall Co, MN Benton Co, MN Buffalo Co, WI, Vernon Co, WI, Wabasha Co, MN Southeast WI Southlow Michigan Germplasm Vernon Co, WI, Wabasha, Co, MN
<i>Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani</i> Soft-stem bulrush	JSO Farms	Faribault Co, MN
<i>Scirpus atrovirens</i> Dark-green bulrush	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Scirpus cyperinus</i> Wool-grass	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
<i>Silphium laciniatum</i> Compassplant	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i> Cup-plant	Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds	Fillmore Co, MN Houston Co, MN

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<i>Solidago nemoralis</i> Gray goldenrod	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed Prairie Meadows Native Seed Shooting Star Native Seeds	Sherburne Co, MN Dakota Co, MN Rice Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Solidago rigida</i> Stiff goldenrod	JSO Farms Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed	Faribault Co, MN McLeod Co, MN Rice Co, MN
<i>Solidago speciosa</i> Showy goldenrod	Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds	Wilkin Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i> Indiangrass	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc. Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed Prairie Meadows Native Seed Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds Shooting Star Native Seeds	Polk Co, MN Douglas Co, MN Sherburne Co, MN, Benton Co, MN, Mille Lacs Co, MN, McLeod Co, MN Dakota Co, MN Rice Co, MN Allamakee Co, IA, Houston Co, MN Southeast WI Southlow Michigan Germplasm
<i>Sparganium eurycarpum</i> Giant bur-reed	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Spartina pectinata</i> Prairie cordgrass	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc. Shooting Star Native Seeds	Kittson Co, MN Houston Co, MN
<i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i> Prairie dropseed	Minnesota Native Landscapes Shooting Star Native Seeds	Ottertail Co, MN Crawford Co, WI, Houston Co, MN
<i>Symphotrichum ericoides</i> Heath aster	JSO Farms	Brown Co, MN
<i>Symphotrichum novae-angliae</i> New England aster	Minnesota Native Landscapes Prairie Meadows Native Seed	McLeod Co, MN Dakota Co, MN
<i>Symphotrichum oolentangiense</i> Sky-blue aster	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN

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<i>Thalictrum dasycarpum</i> Purple meadowrue	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Sherburne Co, MN
<i>Verbena hastata</i> Blue vervain	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Allamakee Co, IA
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Houston Co, MN
<i>Vernonia fasciculata</i> Common ironweed	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN
<i>Veronicastrum virginicum</i> Culver's-root	Minnesota Native Landscapes	Benton Co, MN
	Shooting Star Native Seeds	Fillmore Co, MN
<i>Zizia aptera</i> Heartleaf golden alexanders	Benoit Prairie Seed LLC	Polk Co, MN
	JSO Farms	Blue Earth Co, MN
<i>Zizia aurea</i> Golden alexanders	JSO Farms	Blue Earth Co, MN
	Minnesota Native Landscapes	McLeod Co, MN



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SELECTED MATERIAL (GREEN TAG)

<i>LATIN NAME</i> COMMON NAME	PRODUCER	GENETIC ORIGIN
<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>		
Itasca Germplasm		
Little bluestem	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Itasca Germplasm
<i>Spartina pectinata</i>		
Red River Germplasm		
Prairie cordgrass	Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	Red River Germplasm

NATIVE SEED PRODUCER CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
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Carlson Prairie Seed Farm, Inc.	2077 360th Ave, Lake Bronson, MN 56734	218-754-2693
JSO Farms	12525 345th Ave, Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-3049
Minnesota Native Landscapes	8740 77th St NE, Otsego, MN 55362	763-295-0010 ext. 11
Prairie Meadows Native Seed	10850 Echo Ave, Lonsdale, MN 55046	651-214-2357
Prairie Moon Nursery	32115 Prairie Lane, Winona, MN 55987	507-452-1362
Shooting Star Native Seeds	PO Box 648, 20740 County Rd 33, Spring Grove, MN 55974	507-498-3944

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