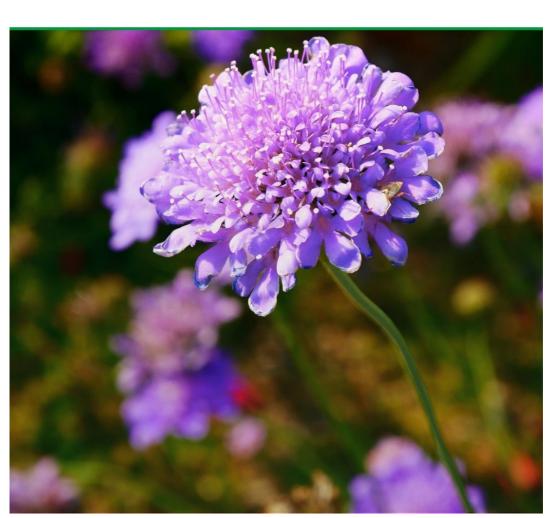
Wildflower Catalogue 2025



PEAT FREE WILDFLOWERS GROWN IN YORKSHIRE



Wildflower Plants of Yorkshire Provenance

Mires Beck Nursery is a Registered Charity with the primary aim of providing horticultural therapy, training and a real workplace environment for people who have a learning difficulty or disability.

Our aim is that all who come to the nursery will enjoy and benefit from being involved in a productive, therapeutic and creative work environment.

Our experience has shown that people who are involved in the wide range of activities undertaken here develop practical and social skills and grow in confidence and self-esteem.

We are delighted to present our Wildflowers of Yorkshire Provenance catalogue for 2025.

Our famous Wildflowers of Yorkshire Provenance are trusted by Wildlife Trusts, Councils, Conservation Bodies, Government Departments and gardeners all over the country. Everyone in the Wildflower Team is involved in the production and care of our Wildflowers from seed collection to the finished product. We take great pride in the quality of our plants, displays and presentation which is why customers come back time and time again.

We value our customers and are here to help. Our expertise, knowledge, and experience of wildflowers is readily available to you.

You are very welcome to visit the nursery (map at the back of the catalogue, opening times over the page). Or, if you prefer, telephone us to discuss your requirements. You can also view our website www.miresbeck.co.uk

On behalf of our Wildflower Team, we wish to welcome new customers, and thank existing ones for your continued support, feedback, letters of thanks, photographs and updates of your wildflower projects.

Mires Beck Nursery

Registered Charity No. 1038078

The Nursery is open for plant sales at the following times:

1st March to 30th September: 7 days a week: 10am – 4pm

1st October to 28th February: Mon to Friday: 10am – 4pm

Prices

Prices at the nursery depend on the size of pot in which the plant is grown.

Many species are available in 9cm pots which are £2.75 each incl VAT.

'Rootrainer' plugs are priced according to the number purchased.

Quantities	up to 50	0.89p each
Quantities	51 – 1500	0.84p each
Quantities	1501 – 2500	0.78p each
Quantities	2501 +	0.73p each

Rootrainers are subject to VAT @ 20%

Please note that plants are offered subject to availability.

If you require large numbers, please contact us as early as possible, so we can plan our production accordingly. Some species may need to be grown to order. Thank you.

Mail Order – orders over £100

Our plants are carefully packed by members of the wildflower team.

We send Rootrainers and 9cm pot grown plants, at the prices shown above, by Royal Mail Next Day Delivery. Please email <u>lizzie@miresbeck.co.uk</u> to order or for any advice.

Where to find us

Please see map on the back page of this catalogue.

Availability

Some plants in the catalogue are held in small numbers at a time so please check availability with us.

We are increasing our range of plants all the time so please ask us about any plant not listed; we may have small numbers available.

Rootrainer Plants

Our plants are grown in 'Rootrainer' cells. A good root system is developed which ensures quick establishment when planted. A 'Rootrainer' cell is approximately 115cc in size.

Species available as 'Rootrainers' are marked Rtr in the catalogue.

Species available in 9cm pots are marked 9cm in the catalogue.

All our wildflowers are carefully grown in peat free compost.

Establishing a Wildflower Meadow

Wildflowers establish and thrive in a wide range of soils, but they especially do well on poor soils where there is little competition from weeds and grasses.

If sowing grass seed onto bare ground, sow only fine grasses at a rate of 5gms per square metre. We recommend our 'Rootrainer' and pot plants are planted 6 per square metre as a basic guide.

This can be increased depending on density, impact required and budget.

If planting into meadowland, removal or reduction of turf will vastly improve the chances of success with Rootrainers and pot grown plants.

Water until plants are well established and remove any problem pests, weeds, and coarse grasses from around them.

Email <u>lizzie@miresbeck.co.uk</u> for more detail and site-specific advice. Site visits and plans can be organised for a small fee.

To help with your selection, the lists below give species suitable for various habitats.

Most of our wildflowers are rich in nectar and are good for wildlife.

Woodland (shaded)

Anemone nemorosa Campanula latifolia Campanula trachelium Digitalis purpurea Luzula sylvatica Primula vulgaris Geum urbanum Hyacinthoides non-scripta Silene dioica Teucrium scordonia

Calcareous grassland

Anthyllis vulneraria Briza media Campanula glomerata Campanula rotundifolia Centaurea nigra Centaurea scabiosa Fragaria vesca Helianthemum nummularium Leontodon hispidus Lotus corniculatus Origanum vulgare Primula veris Scorzoneroides autumnalis Trifolium pratense Verbascum nigra

Woodland edges/hedge backs/woodland rides

Agrimonia eupatoria Arctium minus Campanula trachelium Carex pendula Chelidonium majus Cichorium intybus Clinopodium vulgare Digitalis purpurea Eupatorium cannabinum Fragaria vesca Geum urbanum Lathyrus pratensis Malva moschata Myrrhis odorata Plantago major Sanicula europaea Saponaria officinalis Scrophularia nodosa Silene dioica Stachys officinalis Stachys sylvatica Tanacetum vulgare Teucrium scorodonia Viola odorata

Wet meadow/pond edge/ditches

Achillea ptarmica Caltha palustris Carex pendula Eupatorium cannabinum Filipendula ulmaria Geum rivale Geum urbanum Iris pseudacorus Lotus pedunculatus Lycopus europaeus Lythrum salicaria Mentha aquatica Myrrhis odorata Potentilla palustre Prunella vulgaris Ranunculus acris Ranunculus lingua Sanguisorba officinalis Saponaria officinalis Scrophularia nodosa Silene flos cuculi Succisa pratensis Tanacetum vulgare Trollius europeus Typha latifolia

Rough grassland/roadside

Achillea millifolium Agrimonia eupatoria Arctium minus Ballota nigra Centaurea nigra Cichorium intybus

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Scrub/young trees

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Tragopogon pratensis Trifolium pratense Verbascum nigra Verbascum Thapsus Vicia cracca

River bankside/flowing water

Luzula sylvatica Caltha palustris Carex pendula Eupatorium cannabinum Filipendula ulmaria Geum rivale Lycopus europaeus Lythrum salicaria Phragmites australis Tanacetum vulgare Typha latifolia

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Name

Rootrainers,9cm

Height & Flowering Period

30-45cm June-August

Achillea millefolium Yarrow

Flat heads of small white (sometimes pink) flowers, finely dissected foliage, common in grassland, very tolerant, nectar attacts butterflies and bees.

Achillea ptarmica	Rootrainers,9cm	20-60cm July-August
Sneezewort		

Small white daisy-like flowers, liking damp and wet places.

Agrimonia eupatoria 9cm 30-60cm June-August Agrimony

Spikes of yellow flowers, found in verges and grassland, large seeds eaten by birds.

Alliaria petiolata	9cm	Height up to 1m. Flowers April
Garlic Mustard		to June.

A medium to tall biennial or short-lived perennial with small white, yellow-centred flowers. Flowers occur from April to June and are followed by long green seedpods which shed their seed from July onwards. One of the easiest ways to identify this plant i

Anemone nemorosa	9cm	Height 5 - 15cm.
Wood Anemone		

Woodland plants which require a cool root run. Starry white flowers in early spring.

Anthyllis vulneraria Kidney Vetch	Rootrainers,9cm	Up to 30cm June-September	
Heads of yellow pea flowers (sometimes tinged with red) on a short stalk, dry sites usually on calcareous soils, a good nectar plant.			
Aquilegia vulgaris Wild Columbine	Rootrainers,9cm	40-100cm May -June	

This is the genuine wild plant with blue flowers. Our stock plants are hand pollinated in an insect proof greenhouse to ensure the genetic material stays pure. It will, however, readily cross with garden Aquilegias if they grow nearby.

Name	
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9cm

Height & Flowering Period

Arctium minus

90-130cm July-September

Lesser Burdock

Biennial - 'architectural' rather than beautiful and the hooked burrs can be annoying if planted near a path. Food plant for bees, butterflies and moths. Woody, hooked fruits in autumn.

Ballota nigra

Rootrainers,9cm

40-100cm July-October

Found in hedgerows and on roadsides, purple - pink flowers in whorls.

Briza media Rootrainers,9cm 20cm June-July Quaking Grass

A tufted grass of calcareous places with fine stalks and trembling spikelets. A lovely meadow plant and ideal for drying for floral decoration.

Caltha palustris9cm30-60cmMarch-AprilMarsh Marigold9cm30-60cmMarch-April

Large, bright yellow flowers found on pond margins, fens, ditches and wet woods. Pollen and nectar plant for a great variety of insects.

Campanula glomerataRootrainers,9cm15-25cmAugust-SeptemberClustered Bellflower

Found in calcareous grassland but not a common plant, a head or short spike of bright blue-purple flowers, a good border plant.

Campanula latifolia Giant Bellflower 120cm July-August

Spectacular woodland plant with tall spires of pale blue bell-shaped flowers. Good at the back of a border.

Campanula rotundifolia

Rootrainers,9cm

9cm

25cm July-September

Harebell

A dainty and well loved plant of dry usually calcareous places, best planted on a dry bank as it is easily overwhelmed.

Height & Flowering Period

Campanula trachelium

Rootrainers,9cm

Height 60 - 90cm. July -September

Nettle-leaved Bellflower

Another spectacular woodland plant, with a tall spire of blue bell shaped flowers. Good in a shady border or edge of woodland.

Carex pendula Pendulous Sedge

Rootrainers.9cm

Up to 90cm May-June

50cm July-September

A handsome yellow-green sedge found in woods or along streamsides with arching stems carrying pendulous green flower spikes which remain all summer, prefers shady moist conditions but is very tolerant.

Centaurea nigra Lesser Knapweed

Commonly found on roadsides and grassland, the purple thistle-like (but spineless)

Rootrainers,9cm

Centaurea scabiosa Greater Knapweed

Rootrainers.9cm

heads are frequented by bees and butterflies in late summer, seeds eaten by finches.

60cm July-September

Similar to the previous species and found in similar locations (usually on calcareous soils) but with a larger head which falls away after flowering to leave a silvery disc of bracts useful for winter arrangements.

Chelidonium majus Greater Celandine

Rootrainers.9cm

20 - 60cm

May - September

Ancient medicinal plant with poisonous properties. Flowers delicate, bright yellow. Hedgerows, hedgebanks, wood margins, walls and near old buildings. Pollinated by bees and flies

Cichorium intybus Chicory

Rootrainers.9cm

90-120cm July-October

A tall roadside plant with flowers of a clear bright blue, useful at the back of the border where its untidy form is hidden, easily grown. A local plant but doubtfully native, possibly 'escaped' from cultivated crops grown as a coffee substitute.

9cm

Height & Flowering Period

Circaea lutetiana Enchanter's Nightshade 20-70cm June-August

60cm July-September

120cm June-July

A common woodland plant of damp calcareous and base-rich soils, very tolerant of shade. Many tiny pinkish white flowers well spaced on the stem and leaves stay green throughout the summer.

Clinopodium vulgare 9cm,Rootrainers Wild Basil

An inhabitant of dry banks and scrubby places usually on calcareous soils, whirls of rosy purple tubular flowers.

Digitalis purpurea Foxglove

Prefers woodland conditions on acid soils but is tolerant. Large tubular flowers usually purple but may be white, biennial but seeds freely, nectar plant for bumble bees, food plant for several moths and butterflies.

Rootrainers.9cm

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Dipsacus fullonum Teasel

Biennial, architectural plant of waste and grassy places, with large conical, prickly heads. Flowers blue. Seeds are a valuable source for birds especially goldfinches.

Echium vulgare Viper's Bugloss Rootrainers,9cm

40-90cm June-September

100-150cm July-August

Not infrequent on light dry soils, bright blue flowers, can form a sizeable plant. Biennial but usually self seeds.

Eupatorium cannabinum

9cm,Rootrainers

120cm July-September

Hemp Agrimony

Deserving to be better known, a tall species of woodland edges but grows well in a wide range of conditions. Large flat heads of mauve florets. Vey good for bees and butterflies.

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Filipendula ulmaria

9cm,Rootrainers

60-100cm June-August

Found in ditch sides and damp meadows, it flourishes in moist but not necessarily shady locations. Producing a creamy white head of sweetly scented flowers.

Filipendula vulgaris9cm,Rootrainers20-40cmJune-AugustDropwort

Rootrainers.9cm

Rootrainers,9cm

Though closely related to the previous species it occurs in dry grassy sites, creamy white flowers, a good nectar plant.

Fragaria vesca Wild Strawberry

A plant of grassy, usually calcareous banks, white flowers in May are followed by small delicious fruits. The plant spreads by runners and seed.

Galium verum Lady's Bedstraw

Best in full sun this species is generally tolerant, a plant for grassy places where its delicate stems can sprawl. Masses of tiny yellow flowers, important food plant for several moths.

Geranium pratense Meadow Cranesbill Rootrainers,9cm

60cm July-August

15-25cm July-August

15cm Mav

One of the most attractive wildflowers producing large clear purple-blue flowers. Ideal for roadsides and meadows also deserves a cultivated place, best in full sun.

Geum rivale Water Avens 9cm,Rootrainers

30-45cm May-June

Provided that it is rooted in moist soil it is happy in full sun though it will stand partial shade. Nodding orange-pink flowers followed by fluffy seed heads. Good beside a pond.

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Height & Flowering Period

Geum urbanum Wood Avens/Herb Bennet

Height 20 - 60cm June -September.

A common plant with small yellow flowers. Happy growing in moist soil in woodland margins and hedgerows. It has spherical hooked fruits. It can be invasive. Pollinated by various insects

Rootrainers.9cm Glechoma hederacea Ground Ivv

No relative of the true ivy but an enthusiastic creeping ground cover plant, violet flowers provide early nectar for bees, tolerant of conditions but perhaps best in moist places.

Helianthemum nummularium Common Rockrose

A low growing plant for dry calcareous banks, attractive bright yellow flowers.

9cm

9cm,Rootrainers

Hyacinthoides nonscripta Bluebell

A bulbous plant of light shade or coppiced woods and hedgebanks. A distinctive, pretty, well loved spring flower with hanging blue bells upon the stem. Genuine British wild species.

Hypericum perforatum

9cm.Rootrainers

60cm June-August

June-August

Common St.John's Wort

Commonly found in grass and rough areas, pretty starry yellow flowers, possibly toxic to stock so should be avoided where it might be grazed.

Rootrainers,9cm Hypochoeris radicata Cat's Far

Very common but useful to add as a nectar source to grassland, yellow blooms rise up to 30cm from basal rosette.

Name

10-30cm June-August

10cm March-Mav

30cm April

9cm

Name

9cm

9cm

Height & Flowering Period

100cm June-July

Iris pseudacorus Yellow Flag

The yellow flag iris is a well known inhabitant of ponds and stream margins in water to 15cm deep but is tolerant of much less wet conditions, large yellow flowers. A good source of nectar.

Knautia arvensis Field Scabious

Rootrainers.9cm

40-80cm July-August

Found in dry grassy places but well worthy of a garden border. Large blue- lilac heads. A good plant for bees, moths and butterflies. Very variable but usually around 40-80cm

Lathyrus pratensis Meadow Vetchling

30-120cm May-August

30cm June-September

Scrambling plant with heads of yellow pea-like flowers; grows in grass and hedgebanks.

Leontodon hispidus Rough Hawkbit

Not unlike a small dandelion, but with rough leaves, a plant of calcareous grassland and useful for giving colour to dry banks, golden yellow flowers.

Leucanthemum vulgare

9cm.Rootrainers

Rootrainers,9cm 60cm June-August

Ox-eye Daisy

A very well known plant of grassland and rough places, large white daisy heads with vellow centre. Frequented by range of insects.

Linaria vulgaris Common Toadflax

Rootrainers.9cm

60cm July-September

25cm June-July

Attractive vellow snapdragon flowers with orange lips, will grow on most soils, can be invasive. Nectar plant for bees, food plant for some moths.

Rootrainers,9cm

Lotus corniculatus Birdsfoot Trefoil

Known by many other names this is a favourite plant of short grassy places, tolerant of dry conditions but not of shade. Yellow pea flowers sometimes tinged with red, a food plant of many butterflies and moths.

Pot Size

9cm,Rootrainers

Height & Flowering Period

15-60cm June-August

Lotus pedunculatus Large Birdsfoot Trefoil

Similar but taller to L. corniculatus but requires damp conditions. Likes a tall plant to lean on eq. iris.

Luzula sylvatica Greater Woodrush

Rootrainers.9cm

60cm May-June

Evergreen, robust, grass-like woodland plant with small chestnut-brown flowers, can form large clumps.

9cm Gipsywort

Found in wet woodlands, marshes, fens, dykes, canals and riverbanks. Whorls of small white flowers up the stem. Pollinated by various small insects.

Lythrum salicaria Rootrainers,9cm 60-120cm June-August Purple Loosestrife

Tall strikingly attractive plant with reddish-purple spikes of flowers. Wet places and watersides. A 'must have' wildflower.

Rootrainers,9cm 40cm July-August Malva moschata Musk Mallow

Truly a lovely plant for open or slightly shady places, sometimes found on grassy banks but generally uncommon, large open flowers usually rose- pink but sometimes white. A good nectar plant.

Mentha aquatica Water Mint

9cm

20-90cm July-October

Pink flowered aromatic mint for wet locations.

Lycopus europaeus

60cm June-September

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Myosotis arvensis Field Forget-me-not Rootrainers

Height 15 - 40cm. Annual or biennial so should be left to set seed.

Most commonly found on dry arable field forget-me-not is a low growing species with tiny pale blue flowers with a yellow eye that appear from April to September.

Myrrhis odorata	9cm	60-100cm May-June
Sweet Cicely		

Large plant of damp places. White flat flower heads and attractively cut leaves. The whole plant smells of aniseed.

Origanum	vulgare
Marjoram	-

Rootrainers,9cm

45cm. Plant full sun, harvest July-September

One of our native herbs found on calcareous sites, tolerant of dry conditions in full sun, aromatic when bruised, branching head of smallish rose-purple flowers with bracts tinged purple.

Phragmites australis Common Reed

Rootrainers

2-3m August-September

The purple reed of wet areas forming reed beds, can be very invasive. Please enquire for prices or see our web page on Phragmites.

Pilosella aurantiaca Fox and Cubs Black 9cm,Rootrainers Best grown in a large area, a damp, sunny meadow is ideal.

Height 30cm Flowers June and July.

Called Fox and Cubs because of the appearance of the open flowers (the fox), alongside the flower buds (the cubs). It has lovely, deep-orange flowers held in clusters on slender stems that emerge from a rosette of hairy foliage.

Height & Flowering Period

Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Rootrainers

Height 10 - 50cm. Flowers April to October

Plantains have their leaves at the base of a leafless flower stalk. In this abundant species the leaves are strap-shaped to long oval and are held more or less erect. The flowers are tiny in a dense spike.

Plantago major	
Greater Plantain	

Rootrainers

Height 10 - 40cm. Flowers June to October

Found at the sides of paths and tracks and tolerant of trampling. The leaves are broadly oval and long stalked. Commonly known as 'rat's tail' because of the scaly, tail-like appearance of its flowers which are small and packed closely together.

Plantago maritima	Rootrainers	Height30cm.	Flowers June -
Sea Plantain		September.	

Common in Saltmarshes, cliffs and short turf by the sea and also inland in damp grassy and rocky places. It has narrow fleshy leaves in upright tufts. Flower spikes have arrow shaped green bracts with translucent white sepals with a green midrib.

Rootrainers,9cm 10-40cm May - August

Plantago media Hoary Plantain

An attractive downy perennial with flowers on slender spikes. Each white flower with lilac anthers gives the plant a fluffy appearance. Lovely plant for short dry grassland, meadows and churchyards.

Potentilla palustre Marsh Cinquefoil 9cm

Height 45cm. May-July.

A pretty red-purple flowered marginal plant flowering from a creeping base. Suitable for marshy meadows, ponds and wet heaths. Pollinated by a wide variety of insects.

Primula veris Cowslip Rootrainers,9cm

20cm April-May

A well loved plant of open grassy usually calcareous sites, deep yellow, (a few of our plants if supplied when not in flower may prove to be the false oxlip, a natural cross between cowslip and primrose).

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Primula vulgaris Primrose

Rootrainers,9cm

10cm March-April

Well loved plant of hedge banks and open woods, pale yellow flowers, a source of nectar for night flying insects.

Prunella	vulgaris
Selfheal	

Rootrainers.9cm

20-30cm June-August

Commonly found in rough places, but only seen at its best when growing under fertile and open conditions. A dense terminal head of violet blue tubular flowers, leaves and stems frequently tinged purple. Frequented by bees.

Pulicaria dysenterica 9cm, Rootrainers 45cm August-September Fleabane

Frequent in open, damp places but quite tolerant of conditions, hairy undersides to the leaves give a grey hue, looks very effective in flower when planted in a mass, golden vellow blooms with vellow button centres.

Ranunculus acris Meadow Buttercup

Rootrainers.9cm

30-90cm April-September

Bright yellow flowers, abundant in damp meadows and pastures. Rich in nectar, visited by many insects especially flies and small bees.

40-90cm July-September **Ranunculus lingua** 9cm **Greater Spearwort**

Found in marshes, ponds, fens and ditches. A robust plant with large shiny buttercup flowers 2cm in diameter.

Rumex acetosa Common Sorrel

Rootrainers

Hieght 20 - 60cm. Flowers May - July

Found in meadows, pastures, woodland rides and verges. Leaves arrow shaped, the basal lobes pointing backwards, the upper leaves clasping the stem. Leaves often turning very red at fruiting time. Flowers in few branched or unbranched spikes, male and fema

Height & Flowering Period

30-80cm May-August

Salvia verbenacea ssp. horminoides *Clary*

A rough grassland and roadside plant. Slightly aromatic with spikes of small violet flowers with 2 white dots. Self pollinating.

Rootrainers,9cm

Sanguisorba officinalis Great Burnet

9cm

60-90cm June-August

A much larger version of Poterium sanguisorba (Salad Burnet) but prefers damp conditions, flower heads like a dark crimson rasperry on branched stems.

Sanicula europaea

Sanicle

A woodland plant of calcarous soils with white umbels of flowers and shiny green leaves. Pollinated by various small insects.

Saponaria officinalis Soapwort Rootrainers

Height 30 - 90cm. Flowers July to October.

Found on verges and waste ground as well as damp woodland and along streams. A medium-tall, often clump forming perennial. Hairless foliage slightly bluish-green. Dense clusters of pink, sweetly scented flowers.

Scabiosa columbaria 9cm,Rootrainers Small Scabious 60cm July-August

Generally more delicate than the larger field scabious, Knautia, but otherwise quite similar both in form and habitat.

Scorzoneroides autumnalis

9cm,Rootrainers

5-45cm July-October

Autumn Hawkbit

Similar to Leontodon hispidus but a smaller, more wiry plant flowering later in the year.

Scrophularia nodosa Figwort

Rootrainers,9cm

80cm June-September

Frequent plant of damp hedgerows and woods, branching stems carrying many small reddish-brown and green flowers frequented by bees, needs closer inspection to appreciate their character.

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Silene dioica

Rootrainers,9cm

75cm May-June

Red Campion

A common and very attractive hedgerow and woodland plant in shades of rose, a food plant for several moths.

Silene flos-cuculi Ragged Robin 9cm,Rootrainers

30-45cm May-June

Not nearly as common as it was as damp meadows and marshes disappear. An attractive addition to pond margins and bog gardens, good size shaggy petals in rose, food plant for moths.

Silene latifolia White Campion Rootrainers,9cm

75cm May-August

Similar in form to S. dioica with which it will often hybridise, rather less vigorous, pure white, short-lived but self-seeds freely.

Rootrainers,9cm

Silene vulgaris Bladder Campion

A common plant of rough places, white flowers with a greenish inflated calyx, visited by bumble bees and moths.

Sparganium erectum 9cm 3 Branched Bur-reed

30-150cm June-August

35-80cm June-August

Robust grass like plant with flowers in tiny spherical clusters which are conspicuous in fruit, stems of zig-zag appearance. Suitable for marshes, canals, rivers and streams.

Stachys officinalis Betony Rootrainers,9cm

30-55cm July-September

Found in woodland edges and hedge banks, prefers partial shade and lighter soils. Flowers in dense heads, bright red-purple.

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Stachys sylvatica Hedge Woundwort Rootrainers,9cm

65cm July-August

Commonly found in hedgebanks, similar to the previous species but with claret coloured flowers on a more extended spike, the flowers usually have attractive markings on the lower lip.

Succisa pratensis Devil's Bit Scabious Rootrainers,9cm

100cm June-October

30-100cm July-September

Pretty blue pin cushion flower heads. A plant of wet meadows, damp woods on mildly acid to calcareous soils, also on drier chalk and limestone grassland. Pollinated by various bees and butterflies. The leaves are the food plant of the larvae of the Marsh

Rootrainers,9cm

Tanacetum vulgare Tansy

Golden yellow flat heads of flowers, fragrant leaves. Found on roadsides, hedgerows, wasteground, river and stream banks. Tolerant of most soils. Pollinated by a large variety of small insects and food plant for the Tansy beetle.

Teucrium scorodoniaRootrainers,9cmWood Sage

Found in woodland, hedgebanks and heaths, prefers drier noncalcareous sites, makes a spreading clump, flowers yellowish-green in spikes. Popular with bees.

Tragopogon pratensis ^{9cm} Goat's Beard 45-60cm June-July

15-30cm July-September

Found commonly on roadside verges. The tuft of leek-like leaves give rise to a yellow flower head which opens only in the morning, then followed by a seed head not unlike a very large dandelion 'clock', useful addition to a grassy bank. Often biennial.

Trifolium pratense Red Clover 9cm,Rootrainers

30cm May-September

Heads of pink/red pea flowers. Common plant of pastures, meadows, rough grassland roadside verges and cultivated ground on calcareous to weakly acid soils. Rich in nectar, attractive to bees and butterflies.

Pot Size

Height & Flowering Period

Trollius europeus Globe Flower

Rootrainers

Height 60 - 80cm.

Taupe 2L 1.5 - 2.5m June - August

Commonly known as the Globe Flower because of the globe shaped bright yellow flowers held above mid green foliage from May well into the summer. Grows well in damp soils.

Typha latifolia Common Reedmace

A robust, reed like, waterside plant with sword like leaves and far creeping rhizomes forming extensive patches. Flowers in brown sausage like spikes exploding to release white fluffy seeds and hairs. Suitable for shallow ponds, ditches lakes etc. Can

Verbascum nigrum Dark Mullein

A wayside plant worthy of a place in the garden. Best on warm dry calcereous banks. Tall spikes of yellow flowers with purple stamens. Pollinated by a variety of insects.

Verbascum thapsus 9cm Great Mullein

60-200cm June-August

50-120cm June-September

Tall spires of yellow flowers, the whole plant densely covered in woolly hairs, prefers full sun. Stands dry soils. Biennial but produces copious amounts of seed.

60-200cm July-September Vicia cracca 9cm Tufted Vetch

Beautiful scrambling plant with many heads of blue- purple pea flowers, found in grassland and waysides.

Vicia sativa Common Vetch Rootrainers

Height 15 - 150cm. Flowers May to September.

A sprawling or scrambling pea with bright pinkish-purple flowers. Very common in a wide variety of grassy places.

9cm

Viola odorata

Rootrainers,9cm

up to 10cm March-April

Sweet Violet

A delightful sweet scented, spring flower, tolerant of most conditions though preferring light shade, good under shrubs and trees, purple flower, food plant for several butterflies and moths.

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- access via Mires Lane

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