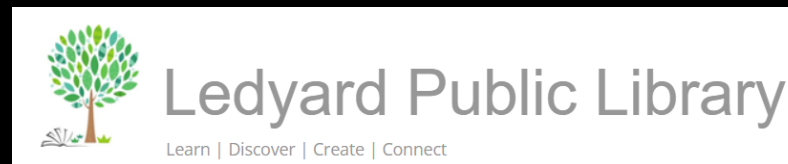


WINTER SOWING - BARBARA DUNCAN



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WINTER SOWING ...

- Trudi Davidoff – started winter sowing >20 years
- Sow seeds in an enclosed container
- Start seeds outdoors in winter - cold, snow, rain
- Seeds germinate in spring when seeds are “ready”.
- Seedlings are very strong, drought tolerate
- Cost savings



WHEN?

Sow: Late Dec – Mar 21

- Seeds experience natural fluctuation in winter climate
 - ❖ Natural stratification / scarification
- Read seed packet instructions:
 - ✓ Ignore temperature / precautions against frost
 - ✓ Follow light / darkness needs
 - ✓ Follow planting depth needs



form of Celosia with its strange scarlet combs that are furrowed and lobed. Still today, the shockingly curious flowers of the Cockscomb delight visitors to Monticello.

Direct sow seeds outdoors after the last spring frost in fertile, well-drained garden soil. Alternatively, start seeds indoors 4-6 weeks before last frost, then harden off and transplant outdoors after last frost. Approximately 70-75 seeds per packet.

Exposure	Planting Method	Planting Depth	Days to Emerge	Plant Spacing	Size at Maturity	Type
Full Sun	Direct Sow	1/8"	8-21	12" apart	2-4'H	Tender Annual

The seeds in this packet were harvested from plants grown in the Monticello gardens and cleaned and packaged by the gardening staff. By purchasing this seed you are helping to support the non-profit Thomas Jefferson Foundation's mission of preservation and education.

Absolute joy of watching a seed germinate and growing into a plant

WHY WINTER SOW?

- Simple, efficient and fun winter project
 - No grow lights or heated greenhouse
 - Winter-sown seedlings are hardy
 - No leggy seedlings - planted and grown outdoors.
 - Acclimated to outdoor conditions - No need to harden off the seedlings
 - Plant when outside temperature has warmed.
 - Prevents seeds from being washed away or eaten by birds.



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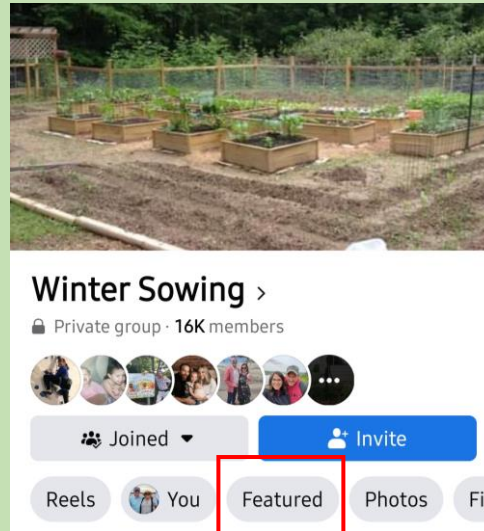
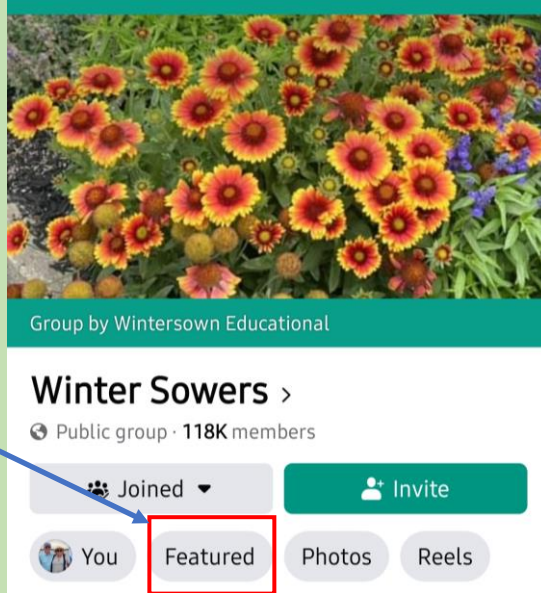
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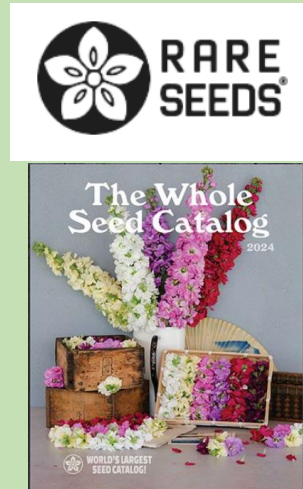
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Seed Sources



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