



Ginseng

Some moisture may be visible in the bag; this is normal. These seeds have been cold-moist stratified for one year. In nature, ginseng requires cold and moist conditions for 12-18 months before sprouting, so stratification has already been completed. Some discoloration on seeds is also normal—limited mold growth is common during cold-moist stratification. Seeds that appear to be splitting are ready to plant and should be sown as soon as possible.

Plant after all danger of frost has passed, or start indoors under a grow light. For delayed planting, store seeds in the refrigerator. Seeds that have already split will sprout quickly. Seeds that have not yet split may take longer, and temperatures will need to be optimal for germination.

Site Selection and Planting

Choose an area that tends to stay moist but not wet—shaded locations typically maintain appropriate moisture levels. Low-lying areas under trees with heavy leaf fall are ideal. The site should receive approximately 75 percent shade.

Plant seeds $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep and 6 to 12 inches apart. Cover with a very thin layer of decomposing wet leaves, which will help maintain moisture and provide nutrition as they break down. Leave a few inches clear around each planting site so seedlings are not struggling to emerge through the leaf cover. Once seedlings appear, pull leaves around them as mulch.

Do not fertilize. Fertilizer can cause oversized roots and diminish the medicinal properties that make wild ginseng valuable.

Additional Considerations

Water the area regularly, especially during drier periods. Do not plant near oak trees or use oak leaves as cover.

We recommend planting seeds in two separate areas, as ginseng seeds are attractive to rodents. If one area is discovered, it is best not to have all seeds in a single location. Rodents that find one planting site will search surrounding areas for additional food sources.

Ginseng plants require 3-5 years to produce fruit, which accounts for the high value of both the supplement and mature plants. With patience, the rewards are considerable.



Seed Storage Guidelines

For delayed planting, proper storage ensures seed viability. Seeds require cool, dark, and dry conditions. Retain seeds in the food-grade plastic bag provided, place the bag inside a sealed glass jar, and cover with an opaque bag or material to block light. Ideal storage locations include basements or refrigerators. Refrigeration is essential for certain species, including poppies. Under proper conditions, most seeds remain viable for 1-5 years, depending on species.

Satisfaction Guarantee

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