



Planning and Planting: Flowers to Seed

Want to add some beautiful blooms to your veggie garden, without breaking the bank? Purchasing flowers for the garden can add up, but luckily, many colorful, beneficial flowers for the garden grow easily from seeds! Here are some of our favorites, which can be planted around the time of the last frost (mid-late May). All photos are from [Johnny's Selected Seeds](#).

Bachelor's Buttons: Also called cornflowers. Frilly blue (or pink, or purple) blooms on 2 ft plants. Seed a couple of times in the summer for ongoing blooms. Will reseed if permitted.



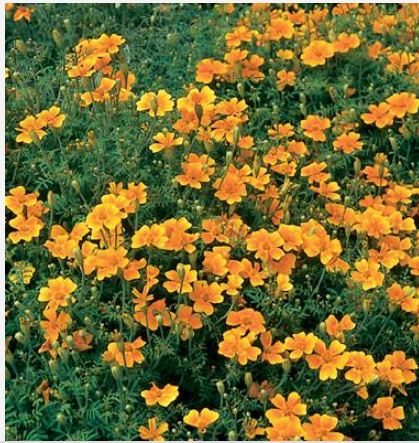
Bachelor's Buttons

Dill: Yes, the herb! Get a three-for-one deal with this great herb that produces beautiful flowers along with edible fronds and seeds. For the largest flowers, we prefer the variety Bouquet Dill. Will reseed if permitted.



Bouquet Dill

Marigolds: These cheery, warm-colored flowers are said to repel pest insects and animals. Choose from miniature varieties like the Gem series, types with larger blooms like Queen Sophia, or giant varieties, like Crackerjack.



Tangerine Gem Marigold

Nasturtiums: Extra large seeds make these flowers very easy to plant. Choose from bright yellows, reds, and oranges, or burgundy, on trailing or bushy plants. The peppery leaves and blooms are edible.



Nasturtiums

Scarlet Runner Bean: If you're looking for a vining plant, scarlet runner bean may be it! This bean produces bright red flowers, along with edible green beans.



Scarlet Runner Bean

Sunflowers: This flower type offers plenty of interesting varieties. Colors range from the traditional gold to pale yellow, pinkish, burgundy, and chocolate. Plant height can range from a couple of feet to towering above any other garden plant! And the blooms can be tiny and numerous to giant and one per stalk. Have fun choosing!



Mix of sunflower varieties

Zinnias: A traditional cutting flower, zinnias come in a huge variety of bright colors. Choose from reds, yellows and oranges, or purple, pink...even lime green!



Mix of zinnias

