



## Yellow Rattle

*Rhinanthus minor*

Yellow Rattle is an attractive native plant that can reduce the dominance of grass species and increase the population of wildflowers.

One challenge with some wildflower meadows is that grasses tend to take over after a number of years. Yellow Rattle is a native plant that feeds off the roots of these grasses reducing the amount of grass and providing a better environment for wildflowers.

Yellow Rattle:

- Can often be used to complement existing wildflower mixes (for example, the Perennial Hi-Colour mix) and to extend the longevity of previously sown sites
- Can be sown as part of a mixture or on its own into established meadows or grassland
- Once established can reduce the competitive vigour of certain grasses by up to 50% thereby providing a more balanced habitat
- Must be sown in the autumn because it needs to be chilled through the winter to trigger germination



### Management with Yellow Rattle

Yellow Rattle is an annual species with short-lived seed and therefore it needs a chance to set seed each year. Cutting or grazing between April and mid-July must be avoided because these actions will prevent seeding. It is important that the management of your site takes these needs into account.

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