

Serious Sainfion Cocktail:

Serious Sainfion Cocktail is another one of Midwest Food Plots' own blend of the "Top Legumes" for attracting deer. We took the "clover patch" concept and added the most potent, attracting legume in sainfion for white-tailed deer. This popular perennial blend of red and ladino clover mixed with sainfion at a level of 50% of the stand was designed to bring together the best-of-best for a perennial legume food plot that will last 3 to 5 years. Legumes are known for their high in nutritional quality, palatability throughout the growing season, and ability for maximum efficiency in antler development and attractability. Sainfion was shown in numerous university field trials to be the most palatable of the legumes studied. Serious Sainfion Cocktail is brought to you by Midwest Food Plots' as their own blend of tested and tried perennial legumes that attract deer in the spring and summer, attracting them for much of the hunting season.



Serious Sainfion Cocktail was designed to provide a high quality food source that offers multiple choices for deer to consume throughout the antler development and fawn growth stages. The beauty of this mix is it stays palatable and highly nutritious through the end of the growing season. If you're looking for a clover patch mixture with a high blend of Serious Sainfion that provides a permanent food plot for 3 to 5 years for attracting deer during the early bow hunt and throughout much of the rifle and shotgun season, Serious Sainfion Cocktail was designed for you.

When to Seed

Serious Sainfion Cocktail is a blend of cool season legumes that should be seeded in the spring once soil temperatures are above 40 F°. This period should be from mid April through mid May.

Preparing a Seedbed

Plant seed into a clean, weed-free, well-packed seedbed (soil) for best stand establishment. First, kill weeds with proper herbicide. Follow with a light disking and pack to create a firm seedbed. Incorporate the seed into the soil at a depth of ½ to ¾ inches deep followed by a final packing of the soil with a roller. If broadcasting the seed onto the soil, follow with a gentle drag that incorporates the seed into the soil. Once incorporated, pack soil with a roller as the final step.

Fertilizer and Lime (pH)

For best results, test your soils for nutrient levels (i.e. nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium) and pH (7.0 is neutral soils) to determined deficiencies and limitations. Add lime to soil if pH is very low and fertilizer as needed. Apply lime prior to seeding, as lime needs to be incorporated into the soil. Broad cast the fertilizer either during the seeding process or after the food plot mixture has germinated, and grown for 2 to 4 weeks. Fertilizing after the crop has emerged and actively growing reduces enhancement of weeds and allows the greatest uptake by the new crop.

Weed Control

A good pre-seeding weed control program will minimize the need for weed control of growing crop. We recommend spraying with a burn-down (non-selective, kill all) type of herbicide prior to seeding. This mix may also be treated with a grass herbicide. If weeds continue to invade the food plot once establishing, consult your local county agent for best herbicide options to spray over cool season legumes. Mowing is a good tool for weed control while Serious Sainfion Cocktail is establishing, clipping at a stubble height of 6 inches or higher to minimize damage to new crop.

Stand Maintenance

Serious Sainfion Cocktail should be mowed at least once per year to maintain a leafy foliage crop for attracting deer. Clip the food plot to a stubble height of 4 to 6 inches as soon as the first flowers appear. As with most legumes, a second cutting may be required to achieve a leafy, palatable food