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Dear Wisconsin Member:

The Wisconsin State Chapter Board of Directors is pleased to offer its members the opportunity to purchase seed and seedlings at a subsidized price. **Members may select only ONE of the subsidized options on the offer form. Sponsor members may select two items from the form. Upper Level members may select three items from the form.** The Wisconsin State Hunting Heritage Super Fund will pay for 50 percent of the seed and shipping charges.

All orders are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Quantities are limited on subsidized seed and seedlings due to the dollars allocated to the program. For shipping allow 2 to 3 weeks from the date your order is entered in our system. Additional bags of seed or seedlings may be purchased in **unlimited** quantities using the non subsidized portion of the order form.

Clover Fab Five Mix Consists of five varieties of clovers; Crimson, Cresendo Ladino, White Dutch, Arrowleaf and Berseem. This mix should be tolerant of a variety of soils and climatic conditions and the plot will last for several years if maintained correctly. Can be planted in early fall or early spring depending on soil moisture and temperatures and frost-free days. Late winter or early spring plantings are frequently attained by overseeding existing small annual grain such as winter wheat. All seed is pre-inoculated. Do soil testing and make sure that soils are treated with recommended amendments. Check with your local Extension Service office for local seeding methods and times.

Sorghum Cuisine Mix Should be planted into well-tilled soil just as you would plant corn or wheat crop. A wheat drill would be helpful to ensure the seed is drilled about 1 ½ inches into the ground or at least into the moisture. If drilled, the 15 lbs. will cover two acres. If you have access to a wheat drill, plug every other hole with duct tape and set the rate at 15 lbs. per acre. This would effectively get you the rate needed for drilling sorghum. A wheat drill with packing wheels is better than one with chains but either will work. If you must broadcast, the bag should cover one acre. Very lightly disk the field after broadcasting or use a cultipacker if a disk is not available. Sorghum eats up a lot of fertilizer. If "average corn crop" is an option to check off on the soil test form, use that option and the recommendations you receive from the test results should be ideal for sorghum. The mix is a diverse assortment of sorghums and millet designed specifically to provide a high energy food supply through an extended period and resist damage by deer. This blend is normally planted a couple weeks later than corn and adapted to a variety of soil types.

Cranberrybush Unusually beautiful with its soft maple-like leaves, producing white lacecap flowers mid-May to mid-June, followed by bunches of shiny bright red berries by August, which can be harvested in autumn. Berries will persist on the plant well into winter, providing a food source for turkeys, grouse and songbirds.

Red Splendor Crabapple An upright, more or less open headed tree, flowers are a rosy red bloom. Outstanding features are the tree's almost complete disease resistance and its small red fruit, 1cm in diameter that cling to the trees all winter. The flowering crabapples are a durable and highly useful ornamental trees that are strikingly beautiful in bloom. Crabapples remain on the tree all through winter, providing a good food source for turkeys, grouse and songbirds well into spring.

Bur Oak Has several unique traits among large shade trees: fiddle-shaped foliage that is thick and large, bark on lower trunks that has thick, vertical flattened ridges with very deep furrows, large fringed acorns, and stout semi-corky twigs; in addition, the tree often stands alone in fields in the wild, displaying its bold texture of a massive trunk and huge spreading limbs from a distance, and being very drought tolerant due to its very deep taproot system.

Each purchase results in the establishment of quality wild turkey brood habitat. Your efforts support the Wisconsin State Chapter efforts to Save the Habitat. Save the Hunt. Your membership and financial support at NWTF Hunting Heritage Banquets helps make this program possible and allows the NWTF to address high priority habitat needs in your state. THANK YOU!

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