



There are so many types of beans that it is a shame to just plant one kind! To prevent unwanted crosses in a row, plant Phaseolus Lunatus (limas aka "butterbeans") between your different types of Phaseolus Vulgaris (common bean). Make sure to plant pole varieties between pole varieties and vice versa. 5lb of butterbeans should suffice.

Alternate Species

When to pick and How to Store

When your bean pods have turned yellow and wrinkly, you can go ahead and pull the pod and hang it up to dry, but DO NOT open it until it has *fully* dried out. If you live in a wet climate, this can help you keep from having beans that sprout in the pod, and will reduce bean weEVIL pressure.

Let your seeds thoroughly dry before storing them in a well-sealed glass jar. Freezers work the best, but make sure you bring your seeds to room temperature before you open the container! As your beans dry, watch for bean weevils and apply disputatious earth (or snuff) to discourage them. Freezing the seeds kills the beetle and grubs.



Beans are one of the easiest seeds to save, however if you really want to save seeds in earnest, these tips will help you avoid pitfalls and pests. You'll also have healthier seeds which will keep longer and sprout with vigor!

A Hill of Beans

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