



The Swan Seed Library is a collection of free seeds that you can use to plant, grow and enjoy at home.

The library is for gardeners, from beginner to expert, and is a place where you can learn how to grow, harvest and save seeds.

The seed collection depends on donations and seasons. Please check in frequently to see what's available.

More information

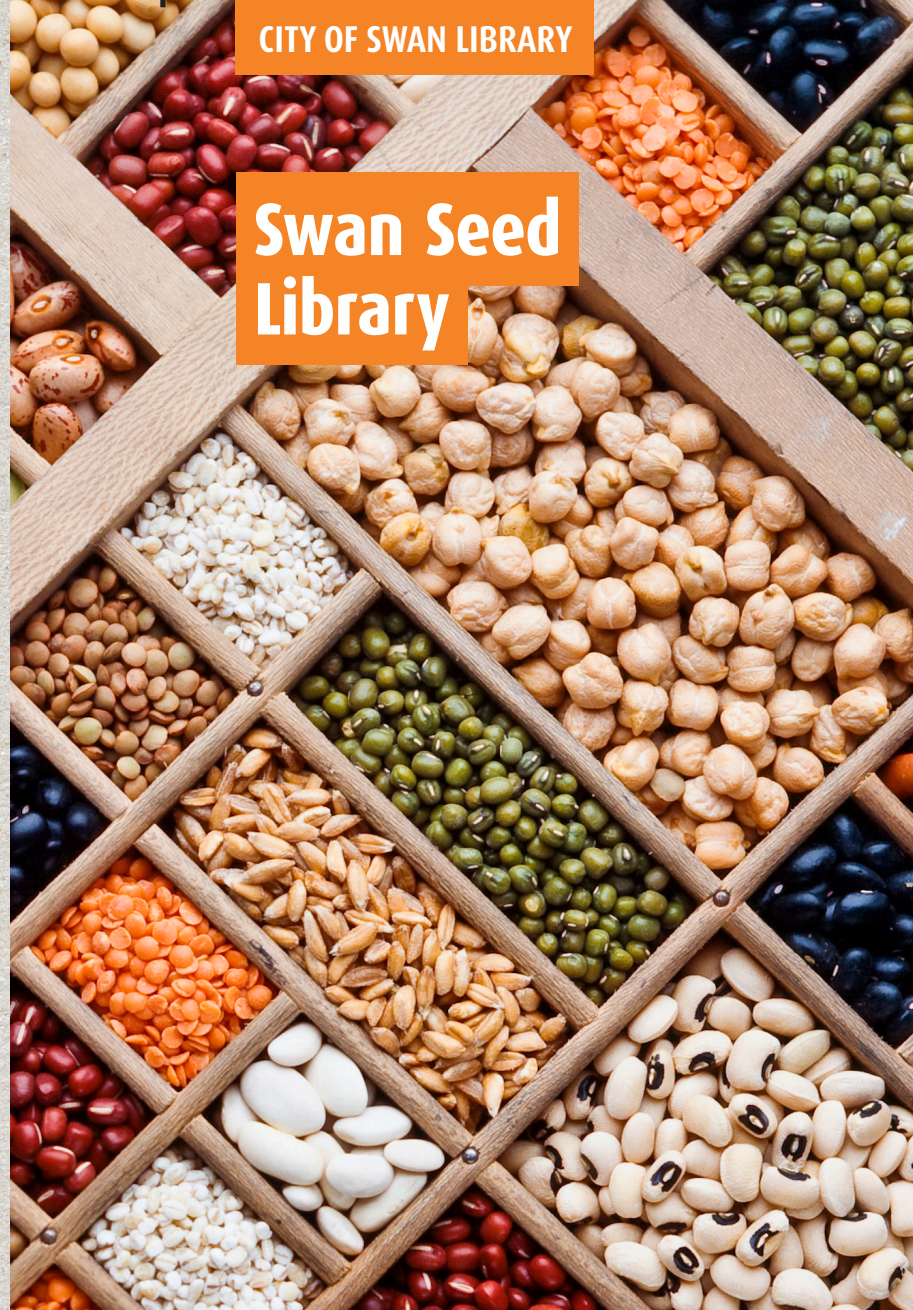
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Our seed library is all about...

- Supporting information and knowledge sharing.
- Creating a community-driven and sustainable seed collection.
- Creating new ways to strengthen community interaction and engagement with the library.
- Creating and building on community partnerships.
- Encouraging residents to enjoy their gardens and growing plants in abundance.



The process

Borrowing

Visit the seed library in person to borrow seeds. We'll have different seeds available at different times of the year.

The collection includes a selection of fruits, vegetables, flowers and herbs.

All you need to borrow a seed is a current City of Swan Library membership card. All children borrowing seeds should be accompanied by an adult.

Seeds can be checked out at the service desk in the library and there are no due dates for returning seeds.

The seed packets contain enough seeds to harvest a good crop and to save seeds for the collection.

Saving

Saving seeds is the practice of preserving seeds from plants to grow them next season.

Seed saving can be complicated and education is what the seed library is all about.

The methods for saving seeds depend on the plant and information is available from the library.

We can also connect you with other local gardeners.

Sharing

Collect seeds from your healthiest and best plants. Remember to save seeds for yourself.

Place the rest of the seeds in clearly marked bags, envelopes or containers. Or collect a donation bag from the library.

Please complete the donation label on the bag with as much information as possible.

Bring your labelled seeds back to the Swan Seed Library.

FAQs

What seeds do you have?

The contents of the seed library will depend on donations and seasons. Visit the library to choose from available seeds.

Can I find seeds in the library's catalogue?

No. You can find more information on the library's website.

How many seeds can I borrow?

Please be responsible in your borrowing. Only borrow seeds you are going to plant, grow, save and share.

Also, please know that you are now part of a community of gardeners.

Can anyone borrow from the Seed Library?

You need a current City of Swan library membership card. Children should be accompanied by an adult to borrow from the seed library.

Can I donate my own seeds?

Yes. Please ensure you donate seeds from heirloom plants. Visit the library for seed saving information.

How do I donate seeds to the library?

Collect an empty labelled donation bag from the library, or bring the seeds in your own bag and fill the donation bag at the library. Please remember to complete the label on the bag.

What if I can't return seeds?

We encourage and hope that you will be able to return seeds to the library to keep the library self-sustaining.

Please inform the library if you weren't able to save and share seeds, we would like to help out with information or advice to ensure you have success in growing, harvesting, saving and sharing.