

# Ohio Spiderwort

## *Tradescantia Ohiensis*

Ohio Spiderwort is a perennial plant that grows in full to partial sun. It likes medium-wet to medium-dry soil and grows up to 3 feet tall. It blooms from spring-summer and is an excellent pollen source for native pollinators. It grows very well in part shade, but may bloom less in locations with less sun. Its blooms open in the morning sun and close during the mid-day heat. This plant is very adaptable; it tolerates sand, clay, and other tough sites. It makes an attractive addition to any garden and is easy to grow from seed.

**To use:** Spiderwort is low-maintenance, and will self-seed / spread easily. Plant in containers or near tough neighboring plants, such as irises. Plant seeds in spring, or in fall following a four-month period (approximately 120 days) of moist-cold stratification in the fridge. Water after planting. This plant can also be propagated by dividing larger clumps in early fall or early spring and replanting. Keep soil evenly moist but well-drained over its lifespan. It can be cut back after the flowers have gone to seed. Spiderwort seeds can be collected for future re-planting.

Seed Source: Prairie Moon Nursery

