



UTAH POLLINATOR HABITAT PROGRAM

Blue Vervain (*Verbena hastata*)



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Zone: 3-8

Color: Blue, purple

Bloom Time: July to September

Plant Type: Perennial herb

Mature Height: 2-5' tall

Mature Spread: 1-2' wide

Water Use: Average to high

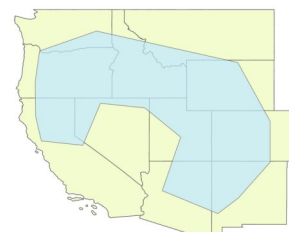
Soil Type: Sandy places, washes, rocky slopes

Range and Native Habitat: The Blue Vervain occurs extensively throughout the United States. In the western United States, it can be found primarily in Oregon, Idaho, Utah, and Colorado. It grows in many types of moist habitats including meadows, thickets, pastures, river banks, marshes, and river-bottoms.

Suggested Maintenance: The Blue Vervain readily self seeds. If planting in the spring, the seeds will need to be cold-stratified for 3 months.

Other: The seeds of the Blue Vervain are a staple for many small mammals and birds that depend on this widely-distributed plant. The plant attracts a large variety of native bees, flies, and butterflies. It prefers wet conditions (even soggy) but will grow in medium soils and spreads via rhizomes.

Distribution Map



Wildlife Supported



Landscaping Information



Sun
Full sun to part shade



Water Needs
Average to high



Summer Irrigation
Max 3x / month once established



Soil Drainage
Moderate



Propagation
By seed with a 3 month cold-stratification period