

The Heritage Seed Library



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- Established in 1975
- UK collection holder for heritage vegetable seed
- Heritage
- Heirloom
- Ex Commercial

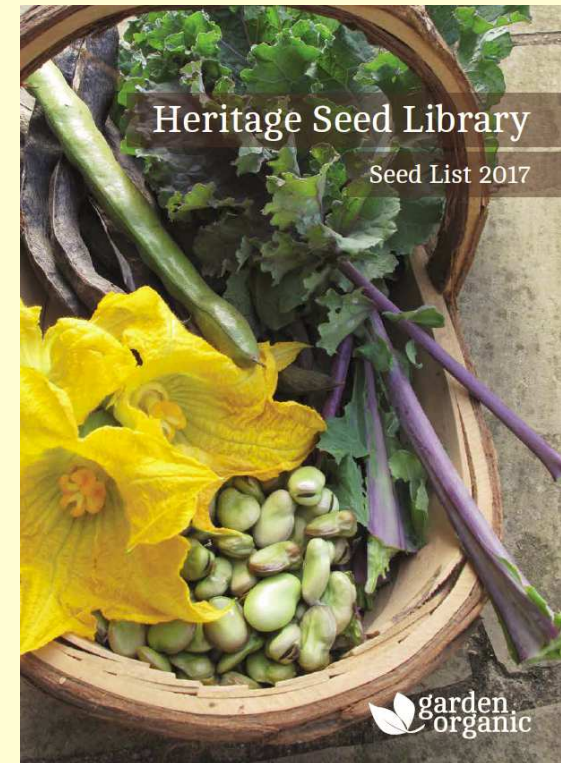


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How we do it:

- 800 varieties ... and growing!
- 50% grown on site
- Seed Guardians
- Catalogue membership



Seed production



Trials & assessment



Distribution & community



Seed saving guidelines



Saving your seed is the best way to propagate your garden – and the cheapest! But it is also a way of protecting our heritage plants.

Vegetables such as the Bossingham Long Pod bean, Bath Cos lettuce and Shetland kale are particular to our land, and often on a very local basis.

It is becoming increasingly clear that this plant heritage - and the organic growing principles - are under threat, principally but not exclusively, from regulation and big business. As well as campaigning and lobbying internationally, Garden Organic also houses the **Heritage Seed Library**, which aims to conserve these heirloom varieties. You can find out more about their work, and even become a seed guardian yourself, [here](#).

The following are comprehensive seed saving guidelines, produced by the Heritage Seed Library.

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