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## Lyre-Leaf Sage *Salvia lyrata*

- 1-2 ft tall, native NJ & eastern US, perennial
- Pale lavender flower spikes, bloom March to June
- Prefers neutral pH, dry to moist soil, sun to shade
- Basal rosette is semi-evergreen
- Nectar attracts butterflies and hummingbirds
- Tolerates drought, flooding, most soil types, light foot traffic
- Propagates easily from seed outdoors or in pots
- Collect brown seed capsules, June – July
- Allow to dry briefly, then shake seeds out of the seed capsule
- Store seeds cold and dry to maintain dormancy
- Press seeds into moist soil surface, do not cover with soil
- Treat 4 weeks moist at 40oF or winter outdoors to break dormancy
- Move to 70oF with light, indoors or outdoors in spring, to germinate