

Plant Propagation Protocol for *Moneses uniflora*

ESRM 412 – Native Plant Production

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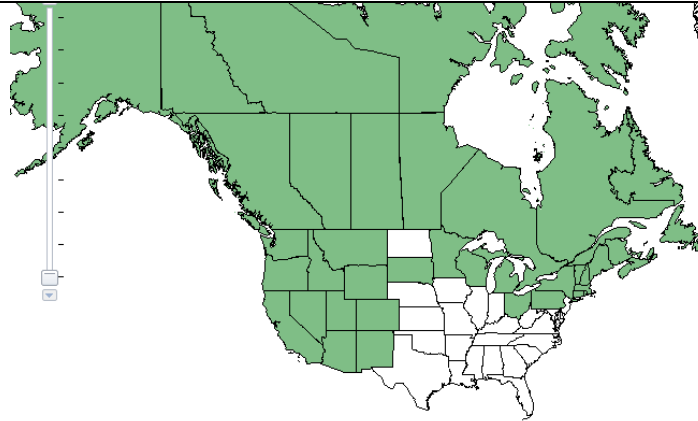
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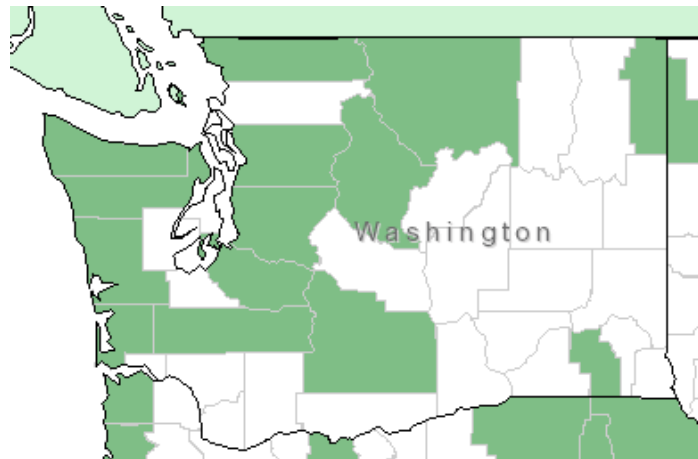
Plant Family	
Scientific Name	Pyrolaceae ¹¹
Common Name	Wintergreen
Species Scientific Name	
Scientific Name	<i>Moneses uniflora</i> (L) A. Gray ¹¹
Varieties	N/A
Sub-species	N/A
Cultivar	N/A
Common Synonym(s)	<i>Moneses uniflora</i> subsp. <i>reticulata</i> Calder & Roy L. Taylor ¹¹ <i>Moneses uniflora</i> var. <i>reticulata</i> S.F. Blake ¹¹ <i>Pyrola uniflora</i> L. ¹¹
Common Name(s)	single delight ⁹ , wax-flower ⁹ , one-flowered wintergreen ⁹ , st. olaf's candlestick ⁶ , wood nymph ⁶ , shy maiden ⁶
Species Code (as per USDA Plants database)	MOUN2 ¹¹

GENERAL INFORMATION

Geographical range



North American Distribution¹¹



Washington Distribution¹¹

Globally, distributed through most of the temperate northern hemisphere in moist coniferous forests.²

Ecological distribution

Found on the humus rich floor of moist conifer forests at low to mid elevations in the northern hemisphere.⁹ Shade tolerant.⁹

Climate and elevation range

Low to mid elevations found at maximum elevations of 2500 meters.⁵ Circumboreal.⁵

Local habitat and abundance

Moist, moss covered coniferous forest floor.⁹

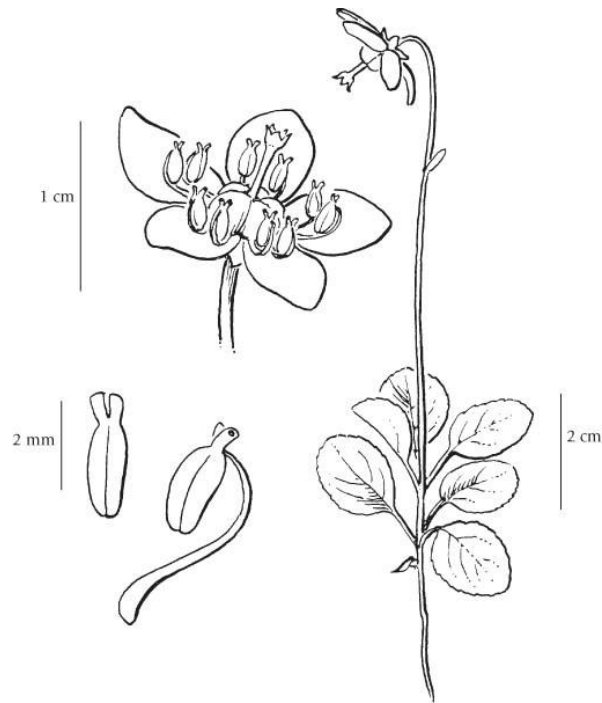
Plant strategy type / successional stage

Mid to late successional stage.¹⁰

Plant characteristics

Perennial evergreen forb with narrow creeping rhizome. Single flowering stem of 3-17 cm in height.⁹ The evergreen leaves are primarily basal but can be opposite or grown as whorls of 3.⁹ A single fragrant, white, waxy, flower is produced annually with diameter of 1.5-2.5 cm.⁹ The flower is comprised of 5 pedals, 10

stamens, and a large style and stigma.⁹ The single flower nods atop a leafless stalk with 1 or 2 bracts midlength.⁹ Fruit capsule is 5-celled and 6-7 mm thick.⁹



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Source 3. Douglas (2001)

PROPAGATION DETAILS: Seed

Ecotype	N/A
Propagation Goal	Plants
Propagation Method	Seed
Product Type	Container
Stock Type	N/A
Time to Grow	6-9 months
Target Specifications	3-17 cm tall
Propagule Collection Instructions	Flowering from May through August, collection of seeds occurs in Fall. ⁶
Propagule Processing/Propagule Characteristics	N/A
Pre-Planting Propagule Treatments	Little information is available on the treatment of seed, though a dormancy period seems logical as this species inhabits climates that experience mild to severe winters. ⁸
Growing Area Preparation / Annual Practices for Perennial Crops	Moist, sandy, slightly acidic soils that hold water well through dry periods. ⁷ A mycorrhizal association is required to grow, thus soil from the collection site is typically required. ⁷

Establishment Phase Details	Plant seed in September with soil collected at the seed source. ⁷ Cover the seed with a thin layer of soil, litter collected at the seed source and vermiculite or fine grit. ⁷ Place the pot in a cold glasshouse and provide additional light for short low light days. ⁷
Length of Establishment Phase	N/A
Active Growth Phase	N/A
Length of Active Growth Phase	N/A
Hardening Phase	Transfer pots from the cold greenhouse to a cold frame, open during the day and closed at night to harden-off. ⁷
Length of Hardening Phase	N/A
Harvesting, Storage and Shipping	N/A
Length of Storage	N/A
Guidelines for Outplanting / Performance on Typical Sites	N/A
Other Comments	Though not threatened, this species is not overly abundant. Take care not to overharvest local populations. Pacific Northwest tribes have brewed teas from the vegetative parts of the plant for different ailments. ⁹ Moneses, from the Greek words monos (one) and hesia (delight). ⁹
PROPAGATION DETAILS Vegetative	
Ecotype	N/A
Propagation Goal	Plants
Propagation Method	Vegetative
Product Type	Container
Stock Type	N/A
Time to Grow	N/A
Target Specifications	3-17 cm tall
Propagule Collection Instructions	In Fall or early Spring divide wild plants with a small spade by severing a rhizome. ⁴ Remove the entire daughter plant and the soil to its deepest roots to ensure mycorrhizal relationships. ⁷
Propagule Processing/Propagule Characteristics	N/A
Pre-Planting Propagule Treatments	N/A
Growing Area Preparation / Annual	Moist, sandy, slightly acidic soils that hold water well through dry periods. ⁷ A mycorrhizal association is required to grow, thus soil

Practices for Perennial Crops	from the collection site is typically required. ⁷ Transplant the daughter plant into its own container.
Establishment Phase Details	Place the pot in a shady cold frame. ⁷ This daughter plant will establish and produce rhizomes of its own to create further daughter plants. ⁴
Length of Establishment Phase	N/A
Active Growth Phase	N/A
Length of Active Growth Phase	6-9 months
Hardening Phase	Transfer pots from the cold greenhouse to a cold frame, open during the day and closed at night to harden-off. ⁷
Length of Hardening Phase	N/A
Harvesting, Storage and Shipping	Harvesting of daughter plants will occur just as the collection of the mother plant. Divide the new daughter plants by cutting the thin rhizome connecting beneath the soil. ⁴
Length of Storage	
Guidelines for Outplanting / Performance on Typical Sites	Plant in moist, shady to partial sun location. ⁸
Other Comments	<p>Though not threatened, this species is not overly abundant. Take care not to overharvest local populations.</p> <p>Pacific Northwest tribes have brewed teas from the vegetative parts of the plant for different ailments.⁹</p> <p>Moneses, from the Greek words monos (one) and hesia (delight).⁹</p>

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