

Seed Saving Level:



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# Your Beans?

Beans have a slight chance of cross-pollination. If you know the scientific name of your bean, then you can plant one of each species and not have to worry about cross-pollination. Here are a few of the major species:

Scientific name	Common name	Examples
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	Common bean	Anasazi, black beans, borlotti types, pink beans, pinto, shell, white and yellow beans
<i>Vicia faba</i>	Fava or broad bean	Negreta, Windsor, Tarma
<i>Phaseolus coccineus</i>	Runner beans	Scarlet runner, sunset runner
<i>Phaseolus lunatus</i>	Lima or Butter beans	Christmas, Henderson