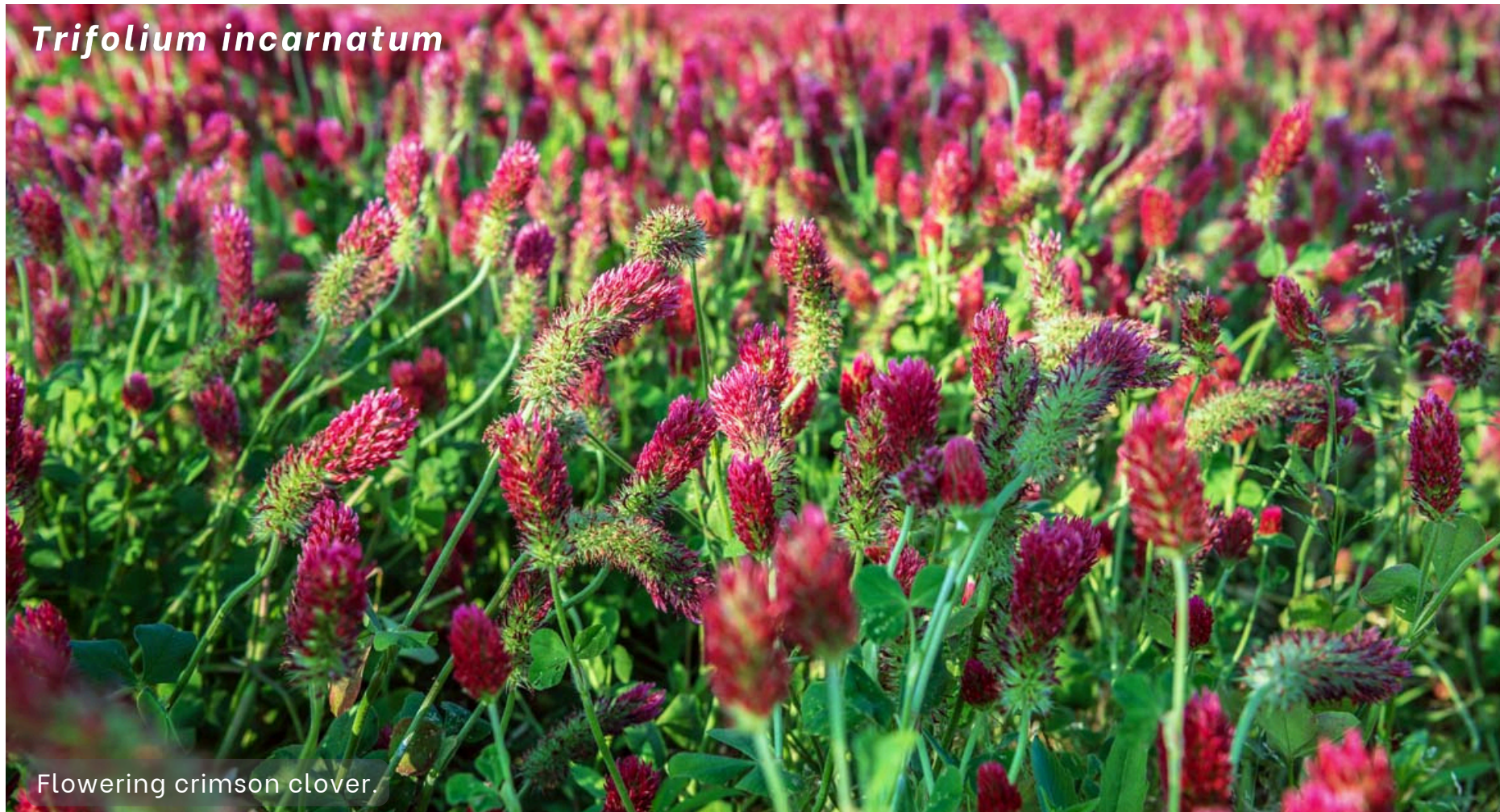


COVER CROP: CRIMSON CLOVER



CRIMSON CLOVER LEMONADE

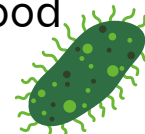
1. Harvest 3 cups of crimson clover flowers by cutting them off of their stems.
2. Add the flowers to 4 cups of boiling water and let it steep for 5-7 minutes.
3. Strain all petals and flowers out of the water. Now you've made yourself some crimson clover tea!
4. Mix 1 cup lemon juice and 4 tablespoons of honey into the clover tea.
5. Chill in the refrigerator and enjoy!

Benefits:

Crimson clover is excellent at suppressing weeds!



Bacteria that live in clover roots take nitrogen from the air and change that nitrogen into a delicious plant food available in the soil.



The flowers produce TONS of nectar that all kinds of bees and other pollinators love.



Crimson clover's fast growth pattern means lots of organic material for your soil or compost pile.



TIME LINE

SEPTEMBER PLANTING

Broadcast seed generously in the early Fall for best results come Spring. Cover to protect from wildlife.

OCT - NOV ESTABLISHMENT

Early Fall-planted crimson clover will grow some foliage in the weeks before cold sets in.

DEC - FEB DORMANCY

Crimson clover will die back after frost, but should survive all but the coldest NYC Winter.

MARCH - MAY N-FIXATION

Healthy crimson clover that survives the winter will put on rapid growth and produce N-fixing nodules.

APRIL - MAY FLOWERING

Crimson clover will begin to produce flowers when the days get longer and hotter, but won't reach peak bloom until May.

APRIL - JUNE TERMINATION

Crimson clover can be pulled out or cut back before planting. The later you wait, the more you can enjoy it's flowers!

SUMMER - FALL RE-ESTABLISHMENT

If cut back or allowed to go to seed, crimson clover may regrow and need to be managed throughout the season.