#### EASY, STEP BY STEP MALE PLANT IDENTIFICATION

## SEXING NABIS **PLANTS**



#### LET'S GET STARTED!

Playing with plant genetics is exciting and a great way to create something uniquely suited to your individual preferences. A good eye is all you need.

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Sexing cannabis plants is a crucial step in cultivation, especially for growers who want to ensure they are growing female plants for their flower production. Here's a step-by-step process for sexing cannabis plants



#### THE VEGETATIVE STAGE

#### LOOK FOR PRE-FLOWERS Pre-flowers are small structures that form at the nodes where the branches meet the main stem.

Cannabis plants typically reveal their sex during the vegetative stage, which occurs after the seedling stage and before flowering. This stage usually lasts for a few weeks, depending on the strain and growing conditions.

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#### IDENTIFY MALE FLOWERS

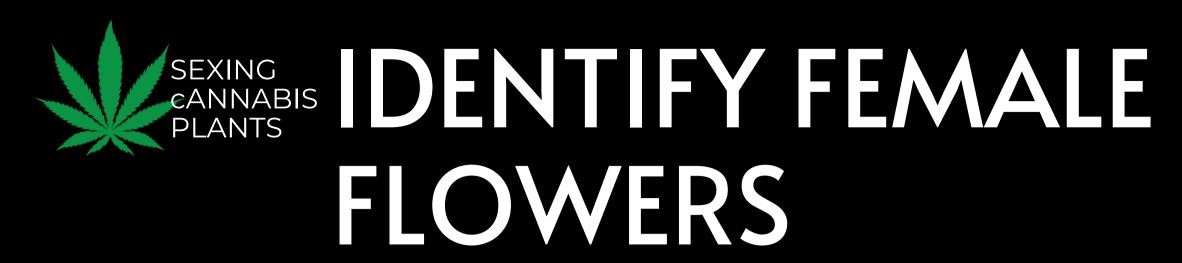
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Female Pre-flowers Female pre-flowers will have two bracts with small, hair-like stigma or pistils emerging from a tiny bulbous structure.

FEMALE



#### SEPARATE MALES FROM FEMALES

Once you have identified the sex of your plants, remove any male plants from your growing area if you're aiming for seedless, high-quality buds. This is because male plants produce pollen sacs which will pollinate your female plants, leading to the development of seeds in the buds.













CONTINUE VEGETATIVE **GROWTHOR** INDUCE FLOWERING

Depending on your goals, and whether or not you are are growing indoors or out, you can continue vegetative growth for larger female plants before inducing flowering.

Alternatively, if you're ready to start flowering, adjust your light cycle to 12 hours of light and 12 hours of darkness to trigger the flowering stage.

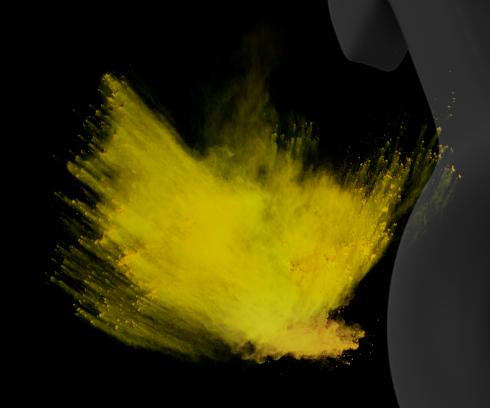
> Occasionally, cannabis plants may develop both male and female reproductive organs. Monitor your plants closely throughout the flowering stage and discard any hermaphrodites



## POLLINATION!

If you are like me, you'll want to keep your males and collect the pollen for future crossings!





#### Playing with genatics can be fun!

Pollen can be stored in the deep freeze for up to six months



Seeds can be stored indefiniitely in a cool dry place.



### HARVEST!



Once your female plants have completed their flowering stage and the buds have reached maturity, you can harvest them for consumption or further processing.

By following these steps, you can effectively sex your cannabis plants and ensure that you're cultivating the desired gender for your specific needs.





# Happy Gardening!

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