

Field Peas: Tips & Tricks

- Plant as early as possible
- Inoculate for N fixation
 - Liquid inoculant is recommended
 - Double inoculant with dry peat moss is the best alternative
- Drill at least 400-500 thousand per acre, lodging will occur at higher populations
- Flower and pod set occurs quickly so try to eliminate stress by (a) keep the plant cool and (b) irrigating during flowering, if possible
- Scout to ensure disease and insect pressure is low
- Weeds will come quickly when peas start to dry, so be ready
- Harvest above desired moisture and air dry to avoid cracks
- Clean versus weedy peas are only separated by days, not weeks so be prepared

