

BUTTERFLY GARDEN PLANTS



ASTER (*Aster species*)
Height: 6 inches to 6 feet
Needs: full sun, average soil
Flowers: daisylike; lavender, purple, white, deep blue, pink, red, or rose color
Bloom Time: late summer to early autumn
Butterflies: Pearl Crescent; larval food



BEE BALM (*Monarda species*)
Height: 2 to 4 feet
Needs: rich, moist, and well drained soil
Flowers: red, pink, purple, or white color
Bloom Time: summer
Butterflies: variety; nectar food



BLACK-EYED SUSAN (*Rudbeckia hirta*)
Height: 2 to 3 feet
Needs: full sun; partial shade if summers are very hot
Flowers: yellow or orange; daisylike with prominent brown eyes
Bloom Time: summer
Butterflies: variety; nectar food



JOE-PYE WEED (*Eupatorium species*)
Height: 2 to 3 feet
Needs: full sun or light shade; moist soil
Flowers: shades of rose
Bloom Time: late summer to autumn
Butterflies: variety; nectar food



LANTANA* (*Lantana camara*)
Height: 3 to 4 feet
Needs: full sun; well-drained soil; can be invasive in warmer climates
Flowers: orange-yellow, orange, red, or red-and-white
Bloom Time: year-round in warm areas, spring to frost in cold areas
Butterflies: variety; nectar food



MILKWEED* (*Asclepias species*)
Height: 1 to 6 feet
Needs: full sun to light shade, average to sandy soil, will tolerate dry soil
Flowers: bright orange
Bloom Time: summer
Butterflies: Monarch; larval food



PARSLEY* (*Petroselinum crispum*)
Height: 12 to 18 inches
Needs: full sun to partial shade, rich, moist soil
Flowers: yellow-green
Bloom Time: mid-summer to early fall
Butterflies: variety; larval food



PINCUSHION FLOWER (*Scabiosa species*)
Height: 6 to 24 inches
Needs: full sun, humus-rich and well-drained soil
Flowers: delicate, purple, pink, light blue, or white singly on long stems
Bloom Time: summer to early autumn
Butterflies: variety; nectar food



PURPLE CONEFLOWER (*Echinacea purpurea*)
Height: 2 to 4 feet
Needs: full sun; well-drained soil
Flowers: rose-purple with dark, raised center; daisylike
Bloom Time: midsummer to autumn
Butterflies: variety



SUNFLOWER (*Helianthus species*)
Height: 3 to 10 feet
Needs: wet or dry soil
Flowers: large, daisylike; yellow, orange, or cream with large, flat eyes
Bloom Time: mid-summer to mid-autumn
Butterflies: variety



THISTLE (*Cirsium species*)
Height: 2 to 6 feet
Needs: full sun, neutral to acidic, well-drained soil
Flowers: purple (occasionally white) in heads 1/2 to 3/4 inch in diameter
Bloom Time: late spring to early fall
Butterflies: Painted Lady



TULIP TREE (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)
Height: over 40 feet
Needs: sun to partial shade; rich, moist, well-drained soil
Flowers: greenish-yellow, tulip-shaped
Bloom Time: midspring
Butterflies: Tiger Swallowtail