

# The Milkweed Patch

## 2025 Catalog of Plants

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All plants are nursery  
grown without  
pesticide!



*Plants are available in gallon, quart, and 2½" pots.*

*Some plants have limited availability (species and sizes) – contact us to ask!*

*The Milkweed Patch has several sales lined up – check our Facebook page and website for dates and locations or send us an email to arrange something (local delivery can also be arranged)!*

*Plants are never collected from the wild.*

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*Species in shaded rows prefer shady locations!*



Species marked with an asterisk are new for us this year!



# Poke milkweed

*Asclepias exaltata*



**Sun Exposure:** Shade to partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry

**Height:** 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** June – July

**Bloom Color:** White to cream, drooping

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

# Tall green milkweed

*Asclepias hirtella*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** June – August

**Bloom Color:** White-green

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.





# Swamp milkweed

*Asclepias incarnata*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry

**Height:** 3-5 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - August

**Bloom Color:** Pink, fragrant

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Great for gardens and pots.

# Sullivant's milkweed

*Asclepias sullivantii*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Wet

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** June - August

**Bloom Color:** Pink

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Deep taproot – choose site wisely.



# Common milkweed

*Asclepias syriaca*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 3-5 feet

**Bloom Time:** June - July

**Bloom Color:** Pink, very fragrant

**Wildlife Value:**

Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Give this guy some room! Considered aggressive.

# Butterfly milkweed

*Asclepias tuberosa*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Dry

**Height:** 1-2 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - August

**Bloom Color:** Orange

**Wildlife Value:**

Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Behaves well in the garden but must not be overwatered.



# Whorled milkweed

*Asclepias verticillata*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Dry

**Height:** 1-2 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** Creamy white, fragrant

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Behaves well in the garden. Blooms later than other milkweeds.

# Spider milkweed

*Asclepias viridis*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 12-18 inches

**Bloom Time:** May - June

**Bloom Color:** White to yellow-green with a purple tinge

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

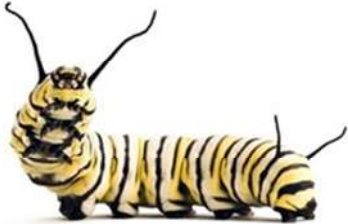
Behaves well in the garden. Earliest blooming milkweed.





# Milkweed vine

*Cynanchum laeve*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun to shade

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** N/A (vine)

**Bloom Time:** July - August

**Bloom Color:** Creamy white, fragrant

**Wildlife Value:**

Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant for the monarch butterfly and the milkweed tussock moth.

Vine grows continuously all summer. Give this guy room and a trellis.

# Heart-leaved aster

*Symphotrichum cordifolium*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** September, October

**Bloom Color:** Blue

**Wildlife Value:**

Very late bloomer. Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs.

Host plant for the Silvery checkerspot and Pearl crescent butterflies and many species of moths including owlets.





# Aromatic aster

*Symphiotrichum oblongifolium*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 1-2 feet

**Bloom Time:** September, October

**Bloom Color:** Blue

**Wildlife Value:**  
Very late bloomer.  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs.

Host plant for the Silvery checkerspot butterfly and many species of moths including owlets.



# Smooth blue aster

*Symphiotrichum laeve*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry

**Height:** 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** August, September, October

**Bloom Color:** Blue

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs.

Host plant for the Pearl crescent butterfly and many species of moths including owlets.



# Showy goldenrod

*Solidago speciosa*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 4 - 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** September - October

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Blooms a little later than most goldenrods. One of the showiest of goldenrods with a feathery plume atop an attractive red stem.

# Fragrant goldenrod

*Solidago odora*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium, Medium-Dry, Dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - September

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality late nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Doesn't cause sneezing or hay fever— its pollen is distributed by insects, rather than the wind. Nice-smelling leaves and dried flowers have been used to make tea.



# Riddell's goldenrod

*Oligoneuron riddellii*

**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Wet to Medium

**Height:** 3 - 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - October

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Goldfinches love to eat the seed.

Mid-vein on leaves is very pronounced causing sides to fold upwards.



# Stiff goldenrod

*Oligoneuron rigidum*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium wet to dry

**Height:** 2 - 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - October

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Larger, flatter flower clusters than most goldenrods. Leaves turn nice shades of red in the fall. Readily self-seeds.





# Wrinkle-leaf goldenrod

*Solidago rugosa*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Wet to medium wet

**Height:** 2 - 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** July – September

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Goldfinches love to eat the seed.

Popular cultivar is named 'Fireworks.'



# Zigzag goldenrod

*Solidago flexicaulis*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Medium wet to medium dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** August – October

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Host plant for many moth caterpillars.

Woodland songbirds love to eat the seed.



# Dense blazing star

*Liatris spicata*

**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Dry,  
Medium

**Height:** 2 - 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** August –  
September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality  
nectar for migrating  
monarchs and other  
pollinators.

Goldfinches love to eat  
the seed.

Tendency to flop over  
while in flower if it is  
spoiled with rich soil or  
too much moisture.



# Rough blazing star

*Liatris aspera*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to  
partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium to  
wet

**Height:** 2 - 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** July –  
September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality  
nectar for migrating  
monarchs and other  
pollinators.

Blooms from top of spike  
down.



# Meadow blazing star

*Liatris ligulistylis*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium-Wet, Medium, Medium-Dry

**Height:** 3 - 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Not native to Ohio but nearby states.

Monarch favorite!

# Northern blazing star

*Liatris scariosa var. nieuwlandii*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium dry to dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

May need staking.





# Orange coneflower

*Rudbeckia fulgida*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium wet to medium dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** Yellow, abundant

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality late nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

Host plant to Silvery Checkerspot. American goldfinch and others eat the seeds.

Deer resistant. Easy to grow.



# Purple coneflower

*Echinacea purpurea*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Dry, Medium

**Height:** 2 - 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** Purplish pink

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Goldfinches love to eat the seed. Hummingbird favorite.

Can become aggressive.

Deer resistant.



# Blue mistflower

*Conoclinium coelestinum*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium wet to medium dry

**Height:** 2 - 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** August – October

**Bloom Color:** Purplish blue

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for migrating monarchs and other pollinators.

Host plant for several moths including Clymene moth.

Can spread aggressively in moist open ground.

Deer and rabbit resistant.

# Lance-leaf Coreopsis

*Coreopsis lanceolata*



**Sun Exposure:** Full sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium dry to dry

**Height:** 2 feet

**Bloom Time:** May – July

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**  
Long bloom time providing valuable high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators.

A long-tongued bee (*Melissodes coreopsis*) is a specialist pollinator of *Coreopsis* species.



# Frostweed

*Verbesina virginica*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Dry, Medium-Dry, Wet, Medium-Wet

**Height:** 3 - 5 feet

**Bloom Time:** August - September

**Bloom Color:** White

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality late nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators

Frostweed gets its common name from its ice ribbons, also called ice flowers or ice fingers. During the early morning of a hard freeze, you may be able to see Frostweed's stems break open and reveal beautiful ice formations.



# American Dittany

*Cunila origanoides*

**Sun Exposure:** Partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Dry to medium dry

**Height:** 1-1½ feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Moderately important source of high-quality late nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators

Dittany is also known as Frostweed since it creates ice ribbons, also called ice flowers or ice fingers. During the early morning of a hard freeze, you may be able to see beautiful ice formations near its stem bases.

Deer and rabbit resistant.





# Anise Hyssop

*Agastache foeniculum*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium to medium dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** June - September

**Bloom Color:** Purple

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality long season nectar for butterflies, bees, hummingbirds, and many other pollinators.

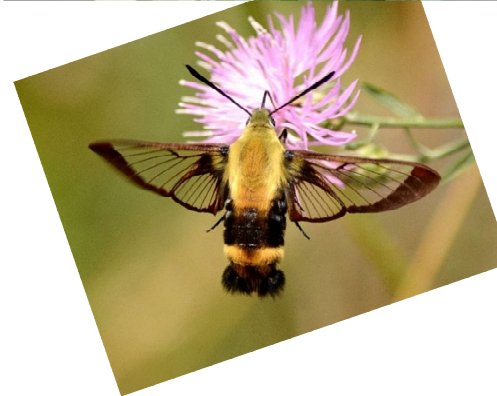
Easy to grow; self-sows readily.

Licorice smell which makes it deer and rabbit resistant.



# Clustered Mountain Mint

*Pycnanthemum muticum*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Medium to medium dry

**Height:** 3 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** White

**Wildlife Value:**  
Valuable high-quality nectar for butterflies, bees, and many other pollinators.

Minty smell which makes it deer and rabbit resistant.

Spreads by rhizomes but not as aggressively as other mint family relatives.



# Cardinal Flower

*Lobelia cardinalis*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Wet to medium wet

**Height:** 4 feet

**Bloom Time:** July - September

**Bloom Color:** Red

**Wildlife Value:**  
Hummingbird and swallowtail butterfly favorite!!

Short-lived perennial so allow to self-seed.

Deer and rabbit resistant.



# Southern Blue Flag Iris

*Iris virginica*



**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Wet to medium wet

**Height:** 2\*3 feet

**Bloom Time:** May - July

**Bloom Color:** Blue

**Wildlife Value:**  
Nectar and pollen for bees.

Deer and rabbit resistant.



# Buttonbush



*Cephalanthus occidentalis*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial sun

**Soil Moisture:** Wet to medium wet

**Height:** Up to 12 feet tall and 8 feet wide

**Bloom Time:** June - August

**Bloom Color:** White

**Wildlife Value:**

Valuable high-quality nectar for butterflies, bees, and many other pollinators.

Seed consumed by waterfowl.

Host plant for hydrangea sphinx and Royal walnut moth (Hickory horned devil).

Deer and rabbit resistant.

Does not do well in dry soils.



# Northern Bush Honeysuckle



*Diervilla lonicera*

**Sun Exposure:** Full to partial shade

**Soil Moisture:** Dry to medium dry

**Height:** 1-3 feet

**Bloom Time:** June - August

**Bloom Color:** Yellow

**Wildlife Value:**

Moderately important source of high-quality nectar for monarchs and many other pollinators

Host plant for Laurel sphinx and Snowberry clearwing moths.

Drought tolerant making it good to plant under mature trees. Great fall color.













### Butterfly Garden 6-pack

*Includes the following native plants\*:*

-  Butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)
-  Lance-leaf coreopsis (*Coreopsis lanceolata*)
-  Rough blazing star (*Liatris aspera*)
-  Rose milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)
-  Smooth blue aster (*Symphyotrichum laeve*)
-  Sweet goldenrod (*Solidago odora*)




Sample garden plan included!

*\*Substitutions on species may be necessary*

### Butterfly Garden Seed Pops

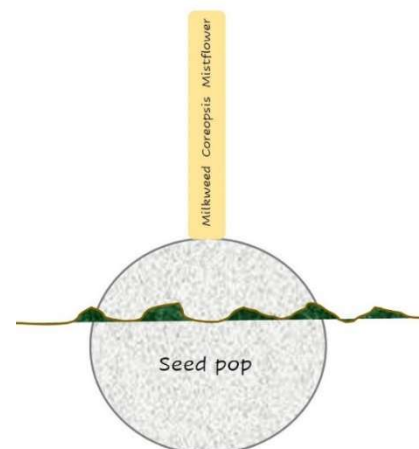
Each seed pop is a mixture of **clay, peat, and seeds** from three butterfly-friendly native flowering plants.

The plants you can expect to grow are:

-  Butterfly milkweed
-  Lance-leaf coreopsis
-  Mistflower

Plant the seed pop, use the stick as a plant marker, water, and enjoy!

Perfect as favors or gifts for  
new homeowners, hostesses,  
gardeners, butterfly lovers!!



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