



THE MONARCH GARDENER

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2019 FREE MILKWEED APPLICATION FOR SCHOOLS/NONPROFITS

Each flat will contain up to 16 common milkweed plugs.
Due Date: April 15, 2019. Flats will be awarded by May 1st.
For more information please visit:

<http://www.themonarchgardener.com/free-milkweeds.html>

Name of organization:

Address:

Contact person, Title:

Contact person's phone and email:

What grades, ages or community type does this organization serve?:

GARDEN INFO:

Will these milkweeds be planted in a new or existing garden?:

If an existing garden:

- Estimate square footage:
- Estimate hours of full sun:
- List existing nectar plants:

-If a new garden:

- Estimate square footage:
- Estimate hours of sun:
- List planned nectar species (3 to 4 other nectar species are recommended, please see list at end of application for suggestions):

-Please indicate who will be installing the garden, watering the garden for establishment over its first few weeks, and who will care for it (weeding) over the summer and into the fall.

-Describe the planned purpose of the garden (education, therapeutic, etc.):

-If garden is for educational purposes please describe any planned projects/studies:

-Please feel free to add any additional info regarding plans for the garden:

By submitting this application I agree to plant and care for the milkweed seedlings, plus allow the Monarch Gardener to visit the site and photo document the garden's progress:

Contact person

Date

Please mail application by April 1st to **The Monarch Gardener c/o Katie Hone, 29 Upper River Road, Ipswich MA 01938** or submit via email to **themonarchgardener@gmail.com**

Recommended Plants for Monarch Gardens:

Milkweeds - the only plant monarch caterpillars eat:

Swamp milkweed, *Asclepias incarnata*

Butterfly weed, *Asclepias tuberosa*

Whorled Milkweed, *Asclepias verticillata*

Common milkweed, *Asclepias syriaca* (not recommended for small gardens)

Poke milkweed, *Asclepias exaltata*

Tropical milkweed (*annual*), *Asclepias curassavica*

Native Perennial Nectar Sources:

Yarrow, *Achillea millefolium*

Bluestar, *Amsonia tabernaemontana*

New England Aster, *Aster novae-angeliae*

Tickseed, *Coreopsis lanceolata*

Coneflower, *Echinacea purpurea*

Joe-Pye Weed, *Eupatorium maculatum*

White Chocolate Snakeroot, *Eupatorium rugosum*

Blanket flower, *Gaillardia sp*

Sneezeweed, *Helenium autumnale*

Ox-eye Sunflower, *Heliopsis helianthoides*

Blazing Star, *Liatris spicata*

Beesbalm (Oswego Tea), *Monarda didyma*

Summer Phlox, *Phlox paniculata*

Black-eyed Susan, *Rudbeckia sp.*

Goldenrods, *Solidago sp.*

Eastern foamflower, *Tiarella cordifolia*

Native nectar shrubs and host shrubs for other butterflies:

New Jersey Tea, *Ceanothus americanus*

Buttonbush, *Cephalanthus occidentalis*

Sweet Pepper Bush (Summersweet), *Clethra alnifolia*

Redtwig Dogwood, *Cornus sericea*

Itea virginiana, *Virginia sweetspire*

Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin*

White meadowsweet, *Spirea alba*

Steeplebush, *Spirea tomentosa*

American cranberry bush, *Viburnum trilobum*

Annuals to attract butterflies and hummingbirds:

Cosmos

Lantana

Marigold	Mexican sunflower
Petunia	Salvia
Verbena	<i>Zinnia</i>

LOCAL NURSERIES, PLANT AND SEED SOURCES:

Monarch Gardener, Ipswich: www.themonarchgardener.com
Corliss Bros., Ipswich: www.corlissbrothers.com
Wolf Hill, Ipswich and Gloucester: www.wolfhillhomeandgardencenter.com
The Herb Farmacy, Salisbury: www.theherbfarmacy.com
Nunan's, Rowley: www.nunans.com
Northeast Nursery, Peabody: www.northeastnursery.com
Garden in the Woods, Framingham:
www.newenglandwild.org/visit/Garden-in-the-Woods

WEB RESOURCES/CITIZEN SCIENCE:

Monarch Watch: <http://monarchwatch.org>
Waystation registry; tags; plant lists; D-PLEX email list; conservation.

Journey North: <https://www.learner.org/jnorth/>
Citizen science animal tracking.

Monarch Larvae Monitoring Project: mlmp.org

Monarch Health: monarchparasites.org

The Xerces Society: <http://www.xerces.org>
Invertebrate conservation group.

Monarch Joint Venture: <http://www.monarchjointventure.org>
A partnership of federal and state agencies, non-government organizations and academic programs working on monarch conservation and education.

PLANT BOOKS/NATURAL HISTORY BOOKS/FIELD GUIDES:

[Bringing Nature Home](#), Douglas Tallamy
[Native Plants of the Northwest](#), Donald Leopold
[Milkweeds, Monarchs and More](#), Rea, Oberhauser and Quinn
[Monarch Magic!](#), Lynn Rosenblatt
[Chasing Monarchs](#), Robert Michael Pyle

