

More Butterfly-friendly Plants

Trees and Shrubs

- Grey Dogwood
- Hackberry
- Highbush Cranberry
- Red-osier Dogwood
- Saskatoon Serviceberry
- Trembling Aspen
- White Elm
- Wild Black Cherry

Flowers

- Black Eyed Susan
- Blue Vervain
- Butterfly Weed
- Canada Tick-trefoil
- Common Milkweed
- False Nettle
- Labrador Tea
- New England Aster
- New Jersey Tea
- Swamp Milkweed
- Wild Bergamot
- Violets

Grasses

- Little Bluestem

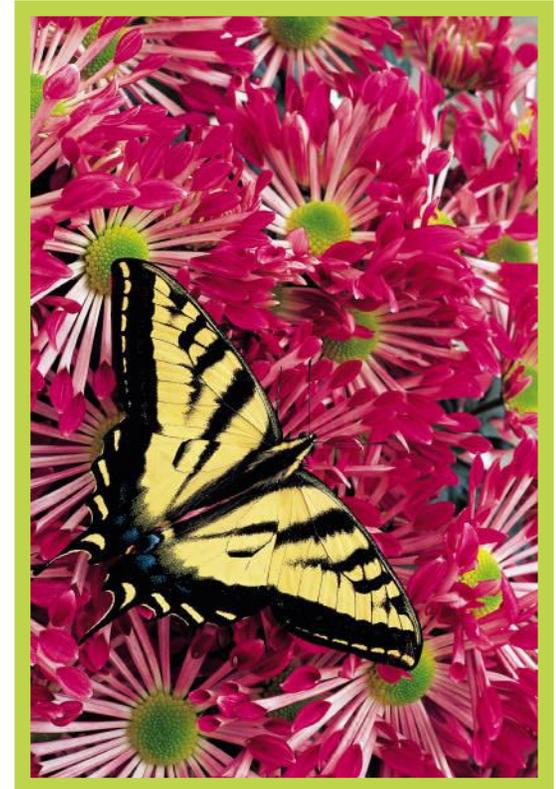
**“SPLENDOR AWAITS IN
MINUTE PROPORTIONS.”**

- E.O. Wilson

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Creating a butterfly garden is an easy way to attract butterflies and provide habitat for them to thrive. Any size parcel of land can be converted into habitat for butterflies; residential garden spaces, right-of-ways, green roofs or flower pots on balconies. Use this guide to select plants and design an environmentally-friendly garden that butterflies will love.



MONARCH

This well-known monarch butterfly is a common site from Newfoundland to British Columbia in Canada. During its southward migration, the butterfly travels all the way to California and Mexico.

Recommended Plant Species

- Milkweed
- Wild Bergamot



CANADIAN TIGER SWALLOWTAIL

Canadian Tiger Swallowtail butterflies are named for the tiger-like stripes on its wings. This species is found in a variety of habitats in southern Ontario

Recommended Plant Species

- Violets
- Wild Bergamot
- Common Milkweed
- Tulip tree

PAINTED LADY

The beautiful painted lady butterfly is found in all provinces, with occasional sightings in the Yukon and Nunavut. It is attracted to a wide variety of plants in a variety of habitats.

Recommended Plant Species

- Milkweed
- Pearly Everlasting
- White Elm



GREAT SPANGLED FRITILLARY

Great Spangled Fritillary is a large butterfly that has a range from southern British Columbia to the maritime provinces.

Recommended Plant Species

- Violets
- Wild Bergamot
- Milkweed
- Black Eyed Susan



Tips to Attract Butterflies

Incorporate variety.

Plant species with a variety of flower shapes and sizes, and that bloom in different seasons to attract butterflies all year long.

Choose native plants.

Native plants have evolved to cater to our local butterflies and will provide the most attraction.

Provide habitat features.

Incorporating rocks and open, shallow water sources into your garden design will provide much needed habitat features for butterflies. Remember to place these in locations with shelter from the wind.

Avoid pesticides.

Butterflies are very sensitive to pesticide use. Try to eliminate the use of herbicides and insecticides to attract the most butterflies.

Size doesn't matter!

Any size space can make a contribution to butterfly habitat, no matter how small.