

# ASCLEPIAS (BUTTERFLY WEED)

**Location:** Zone 3, sun, dry to wet soil, Midwest native

**Shape:** Upright

**Foliage:** Glossy green, milky white sap inside stems

**Flowers:** Summer

**Notes:** Plants are slow to emerge in the spring. Native to eastern North America. Butterflies are attracted by its brilliant flower color and its copious production of nectar.

## **Butterfly Flower**

*Asclepias tuberosa*

22-28" x 24"

Full Sun

Zone 3

Fragrant orange flowers from June to August. Glossy green foliage with milky white sap on the inside of leaves and stems. Attracts butterflies. Tolerates dry sites. Native.



## **Swamp Milkweed**

*Asclepias incarnata*

36-48" x 24-30"

Sun/part shade

Zone 3

Rosy pink flowers in July and August attracts bees and butterflies. Green, lance-shaped foliage forms upright clumps. Tolerates wet sites. Native.

