2025 Native Plant Expo & Marketplace



Milkweed Guide

Planting:

- Plant in spring, after danger of frost has passed.
- Scatter seeds on surface of soil ¼ inch apart from one another and cover with ¼ inch of soil.
- Water frequently until plant is established.

Common Milkweed		
Light	Full sun, partial shade	
Soil	Sand, loam, clay	
Moisture	Dry, medium	
Zones	3-8	
Blooms	June, July, August	
Color	Pink, lavendar	
Height	2'-4'	
Spacing	1'	
Supports	Pollinators, butterflies, hummingbirds	

Butterfly Milkweed		
Light	Full sun, partial shade	
Soil	Rocky, poor, clay	
Moisture	Dry to medium	
Zones	3-8	
Blooms	June, July, August	
Color	Orange	
Height	1' - 2'	
Spacing	1' - 3'	
Supports	Monarch & moth host plant	

Swamp Milkweed		
Light	Full sun, partial shade	
Soil	Sand, loam, clay	
Moisture	Dry, medium	
Zones	3-8	
Blooms	June, July, August	
Color	Pink, lavendar	
Height	2'-4'	
Spacing	1'	
Supports	Pollinators, butterflies, hummingbirds	

Whorled Milkweed		
Light	Full sun, partial shade	
Soil	Sand, loam, clay	
Moisture	Dry, medium	
Zones	3-8	
Blooms	June, July, August	
Color	Pink, lavendar	
Height	2'-4'	
Spacing	1'	
Supports	Pollinators, butterflies, hummingbirds	

Poke Milkweed		
Light	Full sun, partial shade	
Soil	Loam	
Moisture	Moist	
Zones	3-8	
Blooms	June, July, August	
Color	White, cream	
Height	2' - 5'	
Spacing	1'	
Supports	Bees & Butterflies	