



BUTTERFLY GARDENING

Who doesn't find the fluttering of brightly colored butterfly wings enchanting? Planting flowering annuals, perennials, and shrubs that provide a source of nectar will attract butterflies to your garden. The more variety you plant, the more variety of butterflies you will have.

To draw butterflies to your garden, try planting some of these "butterfly-friendly" plants, preferably in a large, open sunny area.

ASTILBE (*Astilbe*)—shade to dappled sunlight, plume-like flowers in white, pink, and red.

BEE BALM (*Monarda*)—full sun, deer resistant.

BUTTERFLY BUSH (*Buddleia*)—full sun, many varieties available in different colors and growth habit.

BUTTERFLY WEED (*Asclepias tuberosa*)—full sun, long-blooming native wildflower.

CONEFLOWER (*Echinacea*)—full sun, tolerates poor soil, deer resistant.

ENGLISH LAVENDER (*Lavendula angustifolia*)—full sun, gray-green scented foliage, purple-blue flowers.

GLORIOSA DAISY (*Rudbeckia hirta*)—full sun, reseeding annual.

HARDY HIBISCUS (*Hibiscus moscheutos* and *H. coccineus*)—full sun, tolerant of wet soils, native plant.

MARIGOLD (*Tagetes*)—full sun, all varieties attract butterflies.

PETUNIA (*Petunia* x)—full to part sun, all varieties attract butterflies.

VERONICA (*Veronica*)—full sun, varieties include blue, violet, pink, or white flowers.

YARROW (*Achillea*)—full sun, yellow flowers late spring through summer.

