

## BUTTERFLY GARDENING

90 kinds of butterflies have been recorded in the Ojibway area. Many can be attracted to a backyard garden if both nectar sources and larval food plants are provided.

### POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. Provide a sunny site, sheltered from the wind.
2. Provide a seasonal progression of flowering plants.
3. Colourful, scented, nectar producing species are best.
4. Large hawkmoths will visit plants such as phlox, bouncing bet and tobacco flower at dusk.



### **N**ative wildflowers:

butterfly milkweed  
common milkweed  
dogbane  
indian hemp  
clovers  
wild bergamot  
virginia mountain mint  
field thistle  
tall ironweed  
joe-pye-weed  
new england aster  
pale purple coneflower  
purple coneflower  
yellow coneflower

### **N**ative shrubs:

new jersey tea  
buttonbush

### **P**lantings:

butterfly bush (white flowered)  
honey suckles  
lilac  
phlox  
tobacco flower (*Nicotiana* species)

coreopsis  
cosmos  
french marigold  
oregano  
scabiosa  
vervain  
zinnias

### **C**aterpillar food plants:

**dill, carrots** eastern black swallowtail  
**milkweeds** monarch butterfly  
**violets** great spangled fritillary  
**new england aster** pearl crescent  
**stinging nettle** milbert's tortoise shell, question mark, hop merchant and red admiral  
**field thistle** painted lady,  
**white clover** clouded sulphur  
**alfalfa** alfalfa butterfly  
**everlastings** American painted lady

**willows** mourning cloak, red-spotted purple, acadian hairstreak  
**poplars** red-spotted purple, viceroys  
**elm** mourning cloak, question mark  
**sassafras** spicebush swallowtail  
**black cherry** tiger swallowtail