

Great Wildflowers for Butterflies

Numbers correspond to photos inside brochure.

Common name	Scientific name	Light	Bloom color	Bloom season	Soil moisture	Region	Growth habit	Value to butterflies
Pipevine	<i>Aristolochia tomentosa</i>					N C	Vine	Host
Milkweed ¹	<i>Asclepias</i> spp.		Varies			N C S	1-3 ft	Host, nectar
Water hyssop ²	<i>Bacopa monnieri</i>					N C S	6 in	Host
Wild white indigo	<i>Baptisia alba</i>					N C	2-3 ft	Host
Partridge pea ³	<i>Chamaecrista fasciculata</i>					N C S	3 ft	Host
Blue mistflower	<i>Conoclinium coelestinum</i>					N C S	24-30 in	Nectar
Tickseed ⁴	<i>Coreopsis</i> spp.					N C S	12-18 in	Nectar
Twinflower	<i>Dyschoriste</i> spp.					N C S	6 in	Host
Purple coneflower	<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>					N C	18 in	Nectar
Tall elephantsfoot ⁵	<i>Elephantopus elatus</i>					N C S	15 in	Nectar
Rattlesnakemaster ⁶	<i>Eryngium</i> spp.					N C S	1-3 ft	Host, nectar
Mock vervain ⁷	<i>Glandularia</i> spp.					C S	8-24 in	Host, nectar
Sunflower	<i>Helianthus</i> spp.					N C S	2-6 ft	Nectar
Dune sunflower	<i>Helianthus debilis</i>					N C S	1-2 ft	Nectar
Buttonsage ⁸	<i>Lantana involucrata</i>					C S	4-5 ft	Nectar
Blazing star ⁹	<i>Liatris</i> spp.					N C S	2-4 ft	Nectar
Powderpuff	<i>Mimosa strigillosa</i>					N C S	2-9 in	Host
Dotted horsemint	<i>Monarda punctata</i>					N C S	2-4 ft	Nectar
Passionvine ¹⁰	<i>Passiflora</i> spp.					N C S	Vine	Host
Frogfruit ¹¹	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i>					N C S	2-4 in	Host
Black-eyed Susan <small>(cover image)</small>	<i>Rudbeckia</i> spp.					N C S	15-18 in	Nectar
Wild petunia	<i>Ruellia caroliniensis</i>					N C S	6-18 in	Host
Tropical sage	<i>Salvia coccinea</i>					N C S	18-36 in	Nectar
Skullcap ¹²	<i>Scutellaria integrifolia</i>					N C	12-18 in	Nectar
Sensitive plant ¹³	<i>Senna</i> spp.					C S	2-10 ft	Host
Rosinweed ¹⁴	<i>Silphium</i> spp.					N C	2-6 ft	Nectar
Goldenrod ¹⁵	<i>Solidago</i> spp.					N C S	2-6 ft	Nectar
Porterweed	<i>Stachytarpheta jamaicensis</i>					C S	2 ft	Host
Aster ¹⁶	<i>Symphotrichum</i> spp.					N C S	Varies	Host, nectar
Ironweed ¹⁷	<i>Vernonia</i> spp.					N C S	4-6 ft	Nectar
Violet	<i>Viola sororia</i>					N C S	6 in	Host
American wisteria ¹⁸	<i>Wisteria frutescens</i>					N C S	Vine	Host

Attracting Butterflies

with Florida's Native Wildflowers



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Help build urban wildflower corridors for butterflies.



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Florida's Butterflies

Florida's butterfly population is imperiled due to loss of native habitat and host plants that are necessary for them to complete the metamorphosis from egg to larva to adult.

By planting wildflowers that provide nectar, pollen and larval food for our native butterflies and moths, we can help fill the void between fragmented natural habitats. Even small native wildflower plots can be stepping stones in a pollinator pathway that help insects reach parks, natural areas and roadside wildflowers.



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Planning Your Garden

Butterflies use a variety of wildflowers, shrubs and trees as host plants. And they need an abundance of nectar for food throughout their life span. Planting Florida native wildflowers will add seasonal beauty to your garden and attract butterflies by providing the vital resources they need.

Follow these simple steps to establish a Florida native butterfly garden:

- Choose a site that receives 4 or more hours of full sun to partial shade.
- Plant flowers of varying heights and flower size and that bloom from March through November.
- Group 3 or more of each flower species for visual impact.
- Use both larval host and nectar plants.
- Water to establish.
- Do not use fertilizer and never spray pesticides.
- Where possible, leave plant debris that may contain eggs or chrysalises.

Find native plant nurseries at www.PlantRealFlorida.org.
Purchase seeds at www.FloridaWildflowers.com

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