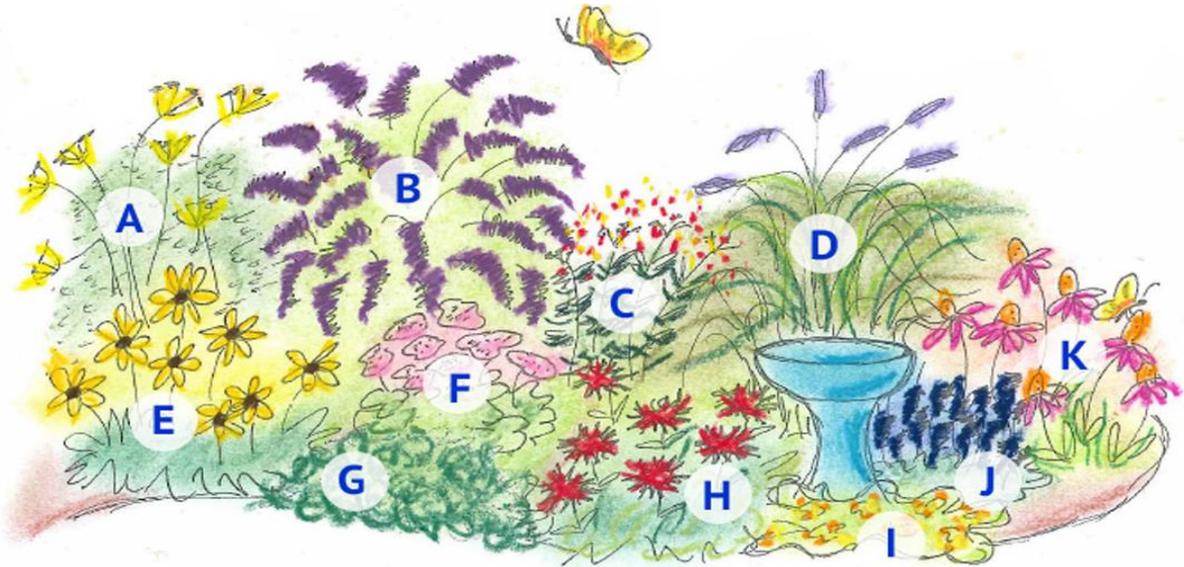


Recipe for a Monarch Butterfly Garden



Ingredients:

- A. 3 - Dill
- B. 1 - Butterfly Bush
- C. 3 - Orange Butterfly Milkweed
- D. 1 - Fountain Grass
- E. 3 - Black-eyed Susan
- F. 3 - Autumn Joy Sedum
- G. 3 - Parsley
- H. 1 - Bee Balm
- I. 3 - Lantana
- J. 3 - Veronica
- K. 3 - Coneflower
- 1 - Garden Ornament (visual focal point)
- 1 - Sunning Stone (butterflies need warmth)
- 1 - Puddler (butterflies need moist spot to drink)

Directions:

- ❖ **Site** your garden in a sunny spot, among other plantings, that drains well. The more plants, the more time butterflies will spend in your garden.
- ❖ **Blend** in a colorful selection of shrub-perennial-annual-herb plants that bloom from early spring through mid autumn. Butterflies prefer flat, daisy-like or multi-crown flowers for easy feeding.
- ❖ **Add** some flat rocks in the sun in areas out of blowing winds for butterflies to warm themselves.
- ❖ **Mix** in some shallow sand-filled depressions for water to collect (puddle) that let butterflies drink.
- ❖ **Provide** a weather shelter, like a small log pile or a butterfly house, for butterflies to rest.
- ❖ **Watch** your new garden visitors from a bench!
- ❖ **DO NOT USE PESTICIDES / HERBICIDES!**
Here are some natural alternatives:
 - Talk to your lawn care provider about using natural products on the lawn, such as a clove oil product, or something similar.
 - Kill soft body insects with garlic and onions. Use several cloves of garlic or onion, crush or liquefy them in a vegetable oil tea and add 1 gallon of water. Spray directly on flying insects.
 - Methods to control or kill weeds:
 1. Use straight vinegar or vinegar with 1-2 squirts of dishwashing liquid kills; you must repeat.
 2. As a spot weed treatment use herbicidal soaps (not effective on perennial weeds).
 3. Use corn gluten meal to stop the formation of roots in germinating seeds (also a natural fertilizer for mature plants).