

8741 – Butterfly Garden



Dear Member,

Thank you for contributing to the Arbor Day Foundation and for sharing our mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees.

Please enjoy the enclosed butterfly garden plants as an expression of our thanks. They have arrived in a bundle of three; please separate them before planting. Because we want your growing experience to be successful, you will find helpful planting and care instructions on the reverse side of this letter.

Your plants are guaranteed to arrive healthy and to grow, or they will be replaced within one year of shipment. If you need further assistance, please contact Member Services at info@arborday.org or 888-448-7337.

Best regards,



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Procurement

Butterfly Garden

(Asclepias)

Planting Instructions

This butterfly garden milkweed mix features fiery shades of red, orange, and yellow and blooms all summer and into fall. The plants grow to 2-3 feet tall and provide vital habitat for monarch butterflies to lay their eggs. Resulting larvae eat the leaves, which are the only food source for monarch caterpillars. Adult butterflies are also attracted to the plants since they are a source of nectar.

SOIL PREPARATION: This mix can be planted almost anywhere, as it tolerates many soil conditions. Do not plant in wet, poorly drained soil.

PLANTING AND CARE:

1. Separate the three bundled roots before planting.
2. Planting location: Full sun to partial shade.
3. Soil: Tolerates dry to medium, average, well-drained soil. Can be grown as a container plant if desired.
4. Spacing: When planting, space 12-24 inches apart and 1.5-2 inches deep.
5. Watering: Water immediately after planting. Do not overwater. Water when dry. After these plants have been established, they require little maintenance.
6. Hardiness: Can be planted in hardiness zones 3-10.

CAUTION: Keep out of reach of children. Some plant material is not edible. While most plants are harmless to individuals and animals, some may contain substances that are toxic, which can lead to nausea, dizziness, headaches, or other uneasiness or discomfort. The only plant materials that should be ingested or eaten are fruits or other known food plants. Contact your local poison control center immediately if ingested and advise them of the ingested plant.