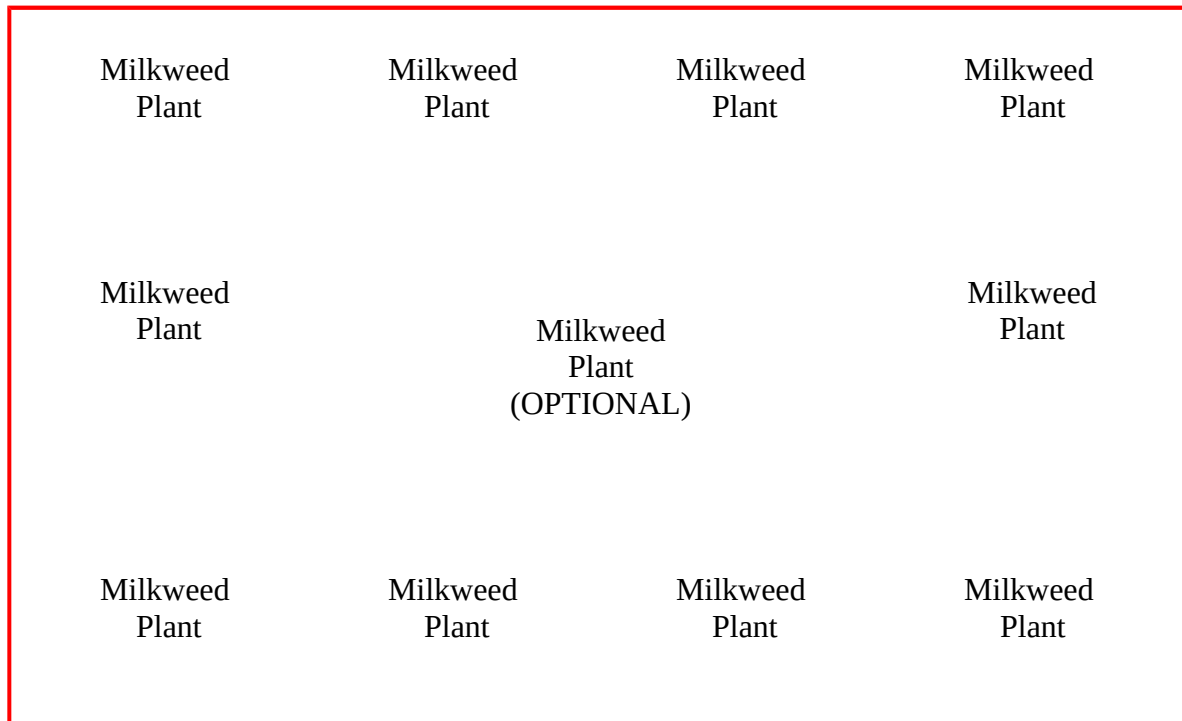


Leo's Monarch Butterfly-Pollinators Simple Garden.



Typical Monarch Butterfly Garden Milkweed Plants Layout. (minimum size 8' x 6')

We recommend a minimum of 10 native milkweed plants of 2 to 3 species:

Common Milkweed (*A. Syriaca*) - Swamp Milkweed (*A. Incarnata*) –

Butterfly Weed (*A. Tuberosa*)

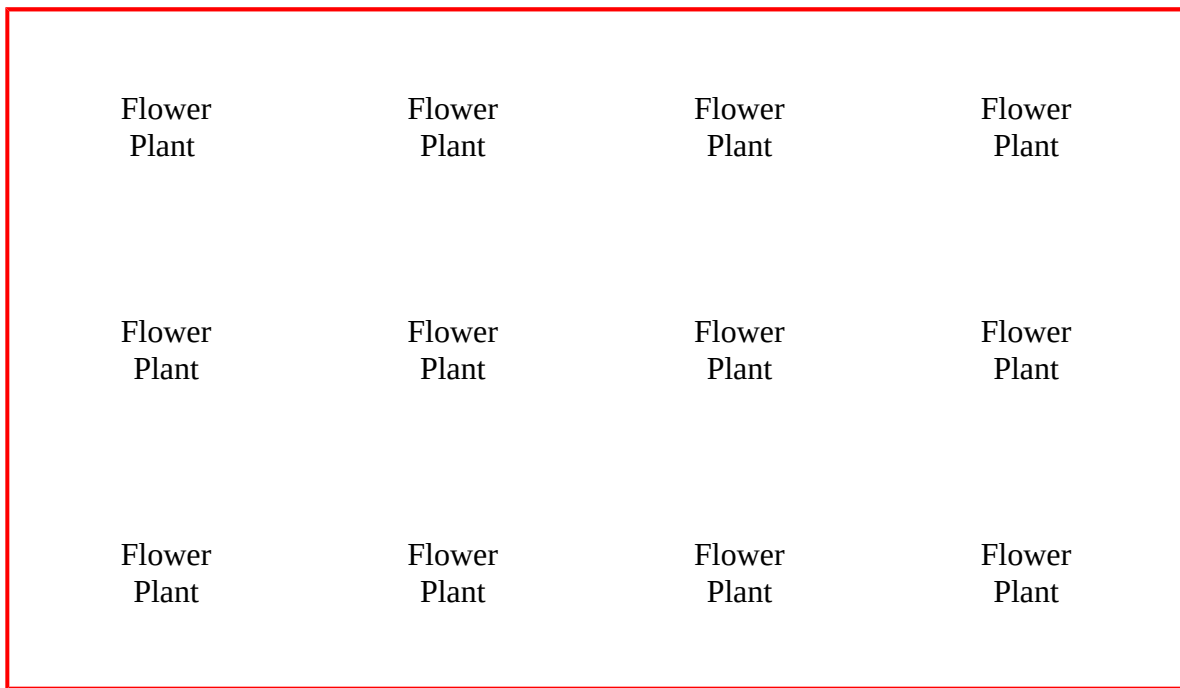
These perennial plants need very little water and they are drought resistant except the Swamp specie which needs to be watered regularly.

Plant Milkweed Plants 2 ft. Apart to avoid over crowding and potential predators presence.

Any type of soil will do with a good drainage, it would be a good idea to amend the soil with compost, to use a weed barrier covered with mulch to avoid grass and weeds from growing into your butterfly garden. The cleaner the better to avoid predators such as ants, spiders, etc..

PLEASE NOTE: The importance of having at least 10 milkweed plants in your garden is due to the fact that a female monarch butterfly can sometime lay a lot of eggs on your plants, and if there isn't enough food for the caterpillars to grow they may not survive.

Continue below for more.



Typical Monarch Butterfly Garden Flower Plants Layout (minimum size 8' x 6')

The importance of butterfly garden plants is to have some Early, Mid Summer, Late Summer Blooming in order to sustain the monarch life cycle up to migration season.

Example of Early Nectar Plants: Butterfly Bush, Wild Columbine, Wild Lupine, Common Blue Violet, Spring Beauty.

Example of Mid-Season Nectar Plants: Blackeyed Susan, Blazing Star, Golden Alexander, Coneflower, Tall thistle, Boneset.

Example of Late Flowering Nectar Plants: False Aster, New England Aster, Stiff Goldenrod, Ironweed, Marigold.

You can follow the plants recommendation spacing to your garden area, and feel free to add any native wild flowers to attract more pollinators according to the space available.

If space is not available you can always use containers or pots for your butterfly-pollinator garden.

P.S.: There are other flowers you may want to add according to your choice that attract butterflies and pollinators!

Please print and share with anyone interested in creating a friendly butterfly garden.

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