

Have an endless supply of common milkweed plants.

When too many new shoots comes back too close, we just relocate them elsewhere where more food is need it. In my humble opinion everyone should have a small raised bed in their back yard to prevent common milkweed from spreading all over the place, and to have an endless supply in the future.

All you need is a weed barrier cloth over your grass, some 2x10 lumber, new weed free soil for your raised bed and a dozen of little common milkweed plants. In a year time they will double and you'll never have to worry about food for your cats again. It's like having a milkweed farm that you can share with others. The beauty of all this is that every spring you'll have many more young plants that are easy to remove and to relocate, you can put them into a gallon pot and will get \$ 5.00 each all day long or just give them to your family, friends and neighbors. Anytime you have too many and don't know what to with them just call me and I'll be glade to take some from you. (Providing you live within a short driving distance.) We do it all the time and just loving it.

Let the pictures do the talk.

May 24th Small Plants Removed from Location



May 25th Transplanted in a new Home



Option 2 would be to pot them after digging for later usage.



More below:

Digging milkweed in the spring is the easiest and best way to do it especially when the plants are small, make a 12 inches circle with your shovel around the plants and go down the depth of your shovel to catch as much root as you can. Replant them anywhere you like and keep watering every day for at least two weeks until the plant looks good on it's own.

There are thousands of common milkweed plants in the fields, roadsides, ditches, etc... that will never be visited by a monarch. Take advantage of existing plants where construction is on the way, dig them all and put them in a safe location where you can access later. (Our properties are always the best options.)

This is how we do it in Windsor, ON. Canada : https://youtu.be/Q1F0U_bzh3s

One of the most important reason to remove some plants from big patches anywhere is that it allows others to thrive and to diminish predators alike from eating most of the monarch eggs laid.

Never the less if digging is not for you, then just create a small raised bed in your backyard and sow seeds or plant small seedlings and in two years time you'll never have to buy another milkweed plant ever again just as shown in the pictures above. (This will always work with any perennial milkweed plants.)

Trust me it does work! You have the word of a "Milkweed Man" :-)



Contact me below with any question you may have.

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