



Milkweeds for Monarchs: The St. Louis Butterfly Project Finding Monarch Garden Plants



Purchasing Native Plants

Grow Native! has a list of native plant resources: grownative.org/resource-guide/plants. Missouri Wildflowers Nursery has online purchasing options and supplies plants for many native plant sales around the region. Visit www.mowildflowers.net for more information.

Local Nurseries and Garden Centers

STL Monarch Mix plants can be found at the following locations:

[Bowood Farms](#)

4605 Olive Street
St. Louis, MO 63108

[Flowers & Weeds](#)

3201 Cherokee St.
St. Louis, MO 63118

[Garden Heights](#)

1605 S. Big Bend Blvd
Richmond Hts., MO 63117

[Greenscape Gardens](#)

2832 Barrett Station Road
Manchester, MO 63021

[Rolling Ridge Nursery](#)

60 N Gore Ave
Webster Groves, MO 63119

[Sugar Creek Gardens](#)

1011 N. Woodlawn Ave
Kirkwood, MO 63122

City of St. Louis Grant Opportunity

The Brightside St. Louis Neighbors Naturescaping Grant Program is an opportunity to obtain free garden material for beautification projects and monarch gardens that are created and maintained in public spaces. Each year, the Neighbors Naturescaping kick-off meeting takes place in May and applications are due in August.

To learn more, call (314) 772-4646 or visit www.brightsidestl.org/what-we-do/neighbors-naturescaping/

STL Monarch Mix:

Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), **Common Milkweed** (*Asclepias syriaca*), **Swamp/Marsh Milkweed** (*Asclepias incarnata*), **Whorled Milkweed** (*Asclepias verticillata*), **Bee Balm/Wild Bergamot** (*Monarda fistulosa*), **Black-Eyed Susan** (*Rudbeckia fulgida*), **Goldenrod** (*Solidago drummondii*), **New England Aster** (*Symphytrichum novae-angliae*), **Purple Coneflower** (*Echinacea purpurea*)

A note about the STL Monarch Mix:

The nine plants included in the STL Monarch Mix have been carefully selected to present the best-suited collection to use locally in support of the monarch butterfly population. We recommend including as many milkweed plant types as possible, as they are the most important for monarch breeding. Monarchs also need plants that act as nectar sources throughout the growing season. Native plants that have not been treated with chemicals are the best choice for monarch gardens. Using Tropical Milkweed is not recommended, as it is linked to a disease that impacts monarchs.

Annual Plant Sales

Opportunities change each year, but these organizations tend to offer annual plant sales featuring native plants. Check their websites for updated information:

[Flora Conservancy Spring Sale](#)

Saturday before Mother's Day
Forest Park Greenhouse

[Missouri Prairie Foundation Plant Sale](#)

Town & Country Whole Foods

[Wildflower Market at Shaw Nature Reserve](#)

Visit the Missouri Botanical Garden website for plant sales at Shaw Nature Reserve and Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House



For more information on other sustainability initiatives in the City of St. Louis, visit www.stlouis-mo.gov/sustainability.

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