

# Designing a Butterfly Garden



Check the box after the resource has been drawn in your habitat:

- Butterflies prefer plants with different colors of flowers. They also like plants that are originally from, or native to, Texas! Choose 4 of the 5 plants below to add to your garden.



**Milkweed:** this is a Monarch's favorite plant! It grows best in a sunny area of the garden. There are several species of Milkweed, and many are native to Texas.



**Cowpen Daisy:** This native flower is found in parts of Texas and grows well in the sun. This is a good source of nectar for butterflies.



**Goldenrod:** This is a favorite source of nectar for Monarch butterflies and grows in a large bush.

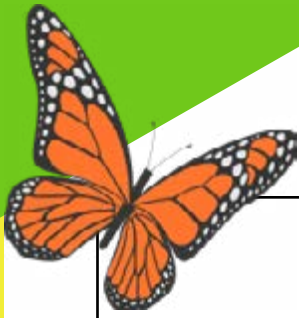


**Aster:** This late-blooming flower attracts butterflies and blooms in the late summer and fall. It grows well in different types of soil.



**Autumn Sage:** This native Texas plant is a soft shrub that grows in warm climates. It blooms in the spring and fall and can have a variety of flower colors.

- Butterflies need a source of water, like a mud puddle or a bird bath.
- Butterflies need shelter from wind. What plant or object should go in your garden to block the wind?
- Draw some Monarch butterflies and caterpillars in your garden! They'll need some rocks and small spaces to take shelter in the evening.
- Butterflies like habitats that are relatively sunny.



Draw and color your butterfly garden in the box below.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing and coloring a butterfly garden.