

Asclepias tuberosa



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Butterflyweed, Orange Milkweed

Apocynaceae

Plant Specifics

Size: 1 to 2 ft tall by 0.5 to 1.5 ft wide

Life Span: Short-lived perennial

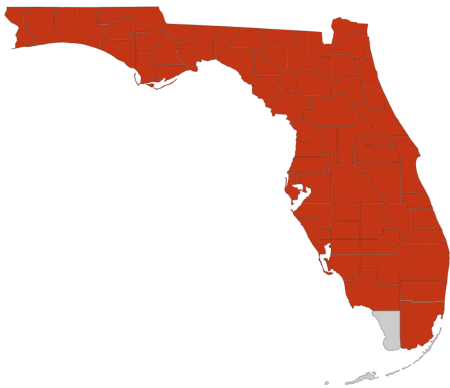
Flower Color: Orange

Fruit Color: Green

Phenology: Winter dormant

Habitats: Sandhill, clayhill, scrub, ruderal

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:

10A 10B 8A 8B 9A 9B

Landscaping

Recommended Uses: Wildflower garden, meadow.

Uses:

Light: ☀ Full Sun

Moisture Tolerance: Not wet but not extremely dry ----- to ----- Very long very dry periods

Salt Water Flooding Tolerance: Not salt tolerant of inundation by salty or brackish water.

Salt Spray Tolerance: Low/no tolerance of salty wind or direct salt spray

Soil/Substrate: Loam, Sand

Wildlife



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Reported to attract hummingbirds.

Attracts butterflies, bees, other insects.

Larval host to the monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), queen butterfly (*Danaus gilippus*) and soldier butterfly, (*Danaus eresimus*). Despite its name, this is not the preferred larval host of the monarch.