

Butterfly/Pollinator Garden

Installed by Fairlee Gardeners

Common Milkweed

Host plant: Monarch butterfly

Attracts: Bees: Bumblebees, Carpenter bees, Yellow-faced bees, Plasterer bees, Sweat or Halictid bees – these are often bright metallic colors (e.g., iridescent green). Leaf-cutting bees

Butterflies: Eastern tiger swallowtail, Pipevine swallowtail, Red Admiral, Great spangled fritillary, Edward's hairstreak, American copper

New England Aster

Host plant: Saddleback, Pearl Crescent, Silvery Checkerspot, Cucullia butterflies, Flower Moths

Attracts: bees, butterflies, beetles, and moths

Coneflower (Echinacea)

Host plant: Silvery Checkerspot butterfly

Attracts: Monarch, Swallowtail, Painted lady, and fritillary butterflies

Catmint

Attracts: Bumblebees, solitary bees, honeybees

Yarrow

Host plant: Essex Emerald, Lime Speck Pug, Wormwood Pug, Straw Belle and Ruby Tiger Moths.

Attracts: Large Skipper, Small Copper, Wall, Meadow Brown, Small Heath, Large Skipper, Peacock butterflies.

Red Clover

Attracts: Sachem, Wild Indigo Duskywing, Cabbage White, Painted Lady, Common Checkered-Skipper, Tawny-edge Skipper, Pecks Skipper, Northern Broken Dash butterflies

Bee Balm (Monarda)

Attracts: Bees, hummingbirds, American Lady, Great Spangled Fritillary, Gulf Fritillary, butterflies

Goldenrod

Attracts: solitary wasps, soldier beetles, mining bees, the polyester bees as well as many other specialized native bees, also Monarch, Hairstreaks, and Painted Ladies butterflies