**Butterfly Waystation Garden for the Monarch Alliance**

***Cultural requirements:*** This 14 foot by 7 foot garden should be located in an area that receives 6 hours of sun a day and is of average soil moisture. Most of the plants in the garden will withstand some drought conditions once established. These plants are generally established after the first growing season. Severe drought conditions will require some watering.

The garden is a sustainable low maintenance garden that blooms spring through the fall. It is planted thickly to reduce the need for mulching, weeding and watering. Native plants do not want to be fertilized. Leave the seed stalks until mid march and then cut the stalks to about 4”. The stalks can be cut into 4-6” lengths and placed between the plants or they can be put on a debris pile. Many native insects and pollinators overwinter in the seed stalks and they won't emerge until warmer weather.

The garden can be planted in increments, though it must be full size to be certified as a Monarch Waystation. It can be planted with fewer plants and a greater distance between each plant, this will require mulching.

The following plants and the quantity are used for this garden:

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| Common name (flower color) | Scientific Name | Map code | Quantity |
| Wild columbine (red & yellow) | Aquilegia canadensis | Aqca | 27 |
| Bluestar (pale blue) | Amsonia tabernaemontana | Amta | 10 |
| Swamp milkweed (pink) | Asclepias incarnata | Asin | 11 |
| Butterflyweed (orange) | Asclepias tuberosa | Astu | 20 |
| Wild blue indigo (blue) | Baptisia australis | Baau | 1 |
| Wild indigo (yellow) | Baptisia tinctoria | Bati | 1 |
| Joe pye weed (pink) | Eupatoriadelphus maculatum | Euma | 2 |
| Wild geranium (purple) | Geranium maculatum | Gema | 21 |
| Blazing star (purple) | Liatris spicata | Lisp | 9 |
| Bee balm (red) | Monarda didyma | Modi | 9 |
| Wild bergamot (light purple) | Monarda fistulosa | Mofi | 9 |
| Foxglove beardtongue (white) | Penstemon digitalis | Pedi | 17 |
| Black-eyed susan (yellow) | Rudbeckia fulgida | Rufu | 10 |
| Little bluestem grass  | Schizachyrium scoparium | Scsc | 15 |
| Gray goldenrod (yellow) | Solidago nemoralis | Sone | 15 |
| New England Aster (purple) | Symphyotrichum novae-angliae | Syna | 10 |
| TOTAL PLANTS |  |  | 187 |