

## Behmerwald Nursery

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## Attracting Butterflies

*Attracting butterflies to your garden begins with choosing the right plants. Adding a few complimentary touches will increase your chances of drawing butterflies.*

### Plant Selection

Plants that produce large amounts of nectar are best for attracting flying butterflies. Having the right host plants for butterfly larvae (caterpillars) will encourage the butterflies to remain in your garden.

### Perennials

*Achillea* spp. (Yarrow)  
*Asclepias* spp. (Milkweed)  
*Antennaria* spp. (Pussytoes)  
*Aster* spp. (Asters)  
*Coreopsis* spp. (Tickseed)  
*Echinacea* spp. (Coneflowers)  
*Eutrochium* spp. (Joe Pye Weeds)  
*Helianthus* spp. (Sunflowers)  
*Liatris* spp. (Blazing Stars)  
*Monarda* spp. (Beebalm)  
*Phlox* spp. (Phlox)  
*Rudbeckia* spp. (Black Eyed Susans)  
*Salvia* spp. (Garden Sage)  
*Solidago* spp. (Goldenrod)  
*Viola* spp. (Violets)  
*Zizia* spp. (Golden Alexanders)

### Trees

*Acer* spp. (Maples)  
*Amelanchier* spp. (Serviceberries)  
*Asimina triloba* (Pawpaw)  
*Carya* spp. (Hickories)  
*Liriodendron tulipifera*. (Tulip tree)  
*Magnolia virginiana* (Sweetbay  
Magnolia)  
*Prunus* spp. (Cherries, Plums)  
*Quercus* spp. (Oaks)  
*Salix* spp. (Willows)  
*Sassafras albidum*  
(Sassafras)

### Shrubs

*Abelia x grandifolia* (Glossy Abelia)  
*Ceanothus americana* (NJ Tea)  
*Cephalanthus occidentalis*.  
(Buttonbush)  
*Clethra* spp. (Summersweet)  
*Cornus* spp. (Dogwoods)  
*Lindera benzoin* (Spicebush)  
*Syringa* spp. (Lilac)  
*Vaccinium* spp.  
(Blueberries)  
*Viburnum* spp.  
(Viburnums)  
*Wisteria* spp. (Native  
Wisteria)

Tips: Incorporating sources of water and salt into your garden will encourage butterflies to remain longer.  
Rocks and debris for protection are also very important