# What is happening to our Butterflies?

Butterflies are a joy to witness in the garden, but they also have an important roll in pollination. However, butterfly populations are steadily declining, especially the vibrant monarch butterfly. The addition of butterfly host plants and nectar providers can aid these species, especially in urban areas.

# Butterfly Facts

- Over 90% of all flowering plants require a pollinator.
- Monarch butterflies migrate up to 3,000 miles during the fall and spring between North America and Mexico.
- Butterflies are found on every continent except Antarctica.
- Butterfly eyes are made up of 6,000 lenses and can see ultraviolet light.
- Butterflies "smell" with their feet.

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Easy additions for every garden!



#### **Nectar Flowers**



Butterfly Bush (Buddleja)



Aster amellus



Yarrow (Achillea millefolium)

### Caterpillar Host Plants



Italian Parsley (*Petroselinum crispum*)



Fennel (Foeniculum vulgare)



Dill (Anethum graveolens)

#### **Possible Visitors**



Red-Spotted Purple



Monarch

