

Asclepias incarnata



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swamp milkweed



Light Requirements: **sun, part-sun**

Soil Moisture: **moist, wet**

Soil Description: **acid, neutral, rich, average, clay**

Height: **3' - 6'**

Recommended Spacing: **1'-3'**

Bloom Time: **June, July, August**

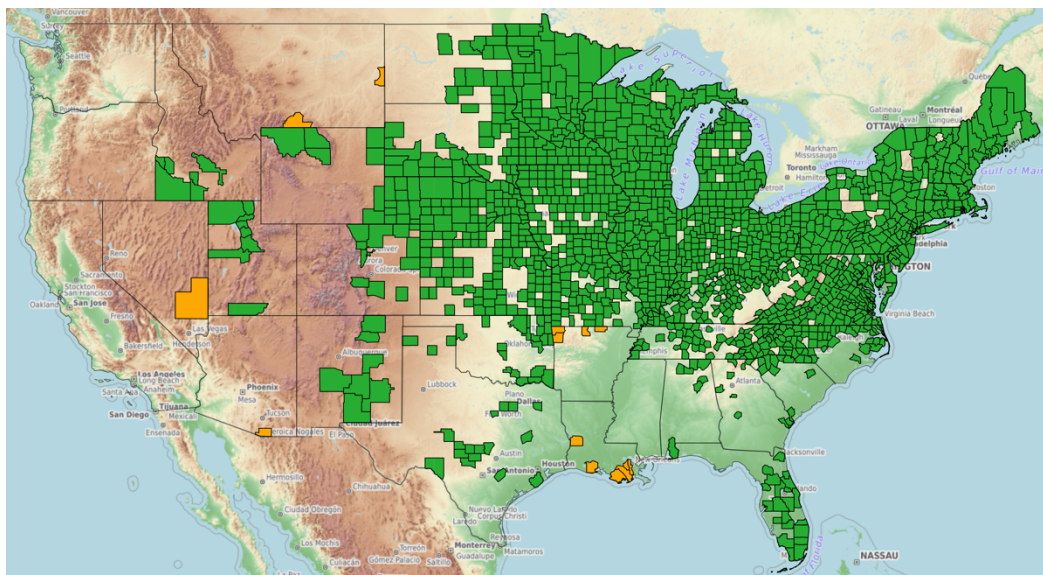
Bloom Color: **pink, lilac**

Hardiness Zone: **3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10**

Additional Tags: **attracts hummingbirds, berries/fruits, deer resistant, fragrant flowers, pollinator favorite, pond margin plant, stream margin plant**

Asclepias incarnata is a striking, medium-tall plant with narrow, elongated leaves on branching stems. It has large terminal clusters of fragrant, deep-pink flowers. In fall, the plant bears 5" long, brown seed pods that will remain into winter.

Although common to wetlands, it can be grown under average garden conditions, or in low-lying areas of a garden where the soil remains consistently moist. It is tolerant of a wide variety of soils from well drained to mucky, and even heavy clay. Excellent around water features in full sun. The bloom period lasts about a month, beginning in late spring. This is a host plant for the monarch butterfly.



Map of Native Range Color Key:

- Present
- Rare
- Extirpated
- Noxious
- Adventive