

## Establishing Monarch Butterfly Habitat On Golf Courses

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The monarch butterfly is an iconic species – one that is easily recognizable by adults and children alike. Unfortunately, the monarch butterfly population has declined significantly in recent years. Eradication of milkweed in commercial agriculture fields, along roadways and in urban landscapes is a major concern because monarch butterflies depend on this plant for food and laying their eggs. This article provides a detailed guide for how golf courses can establish milkweed on their property to help ensure that the monarch butterfly population rebounds and thrives for many years to come.

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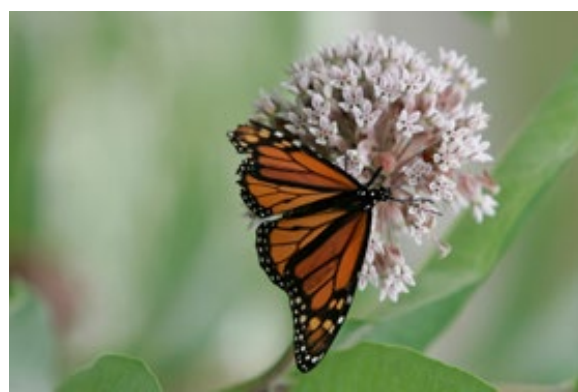


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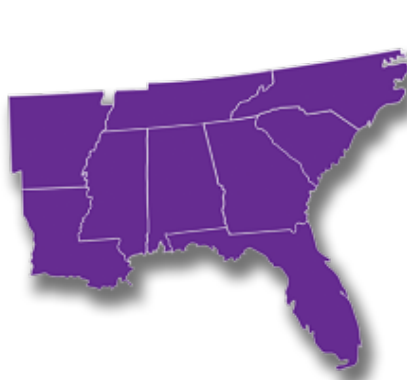
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