

# Balcony/Patio Monarch Garden

## Planting in Pots



\*Milkweed and other natives will need a pot or planter box that is a minimum of 14 inches deep and wide. All pots and planters will need drainage holes to prevent oversaturated soil. Plants in pots/planters will need much more water than natives planted directly into the ground. Make sure to check the soil every other day.

**Watering Tips:**  
Depending on drainage, plants on your balcony or patio may need more or less water than we recommend. You do not want to overwater native plants, so experiment with how long your plants can last before beginning to wilt.

### **Narrowleaf Milkweed** (*Asclepias fascicularis*)

Care: Full sun, water deeply 1-3x a week. This plant goes dormant in winter; stop watering during winter and cut back dead stems. Bloom season: Summer

### **Coyote Mint** (*Monardella villosa*)

Care: Full sun/partial shade. Water 1-2x a week. Once established, may need less water. Bloom season: Spring/Summer/Fall

### **Yarrow** (*Achillea millefolium*)

Care: Full sun/partial shade. Water 1-2x a week. Once established, may need less water. Benefits from root division every other year. Bloom season: Spring/Summer/Fall

### **Gumweed** (*Grindelia camporum*)

Care: Full sun. Water 1-2x a week. Once established, may need less water.. Bloom season: Spring-Fall



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