

Herbs That Attract Our Essential Pollinators: Butterflies and Bees

Pollinators are essential in maintaining a healthy ecosystem. Thirty percent of our food crop production depends on pollinators. Honey Bees, for instance, pollinate billions of dollars worth of crops each year. Unfortunately, pesticides have caused a huge decline in bee and butterfly populations.

Please consider purchasing an extra herb or two from the following lists of herbs that we offer to encourage more pollinators to visit your garden. The Butterflies and Bees you attract will work wonders....

Herbs that attract Butterflies:

Bee Balm (Monarda)	Parsley
Catnip	Sage
Lavender	Tansy
Mint	Thyme
Oregano	Yarrow

Herbs that attract Bees:

Basil	Marjoram
Bee Balm	Mint
Borage	Oregano
Cat Mint	Parsley
Lavender	Rosemary
Lemon Balm	Sage
Thyme	

Herbs that act as Host plants for Caterpillars:

- Mints
- Nasturtium
- Parsley

For more information on Pollinators check out:

Xerces Society [The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation](#)
[Herbs for a Butterfly Garden - Advice From The Herb Lady](#)
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