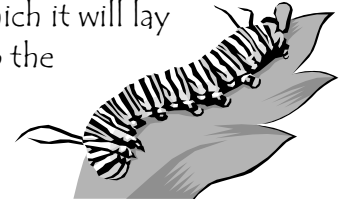


# Wild-Connections Butterfly Farm & Nature Center



## Caterpillar Food Plants for Common Butterflies in the Austin Area

To attract wildlife to your yard, start by providing the right habitat. For butterflies, that means providing two kinds of plants...nectar plants and a food source for caterpillars. Most butterflies are very particular about the plant on which it will lay its eggs. Eggs are laid on the plant that makes the best food for the caterpillar so the caterpillar does not have to hunt for food. The leaves on these host plants are often greedily gobbled up, but will usually grow back quickly. Remember, if you are butterfly gardening, don't move or spray these caterpillars!



| Butterfly Species         | Host Plant   |
|---------------------------|--|
| Black Swallowtail         | parsley, rue, dill, celery, carrot   |
| Eastern Tiger Swallowtail | wild cherry, hop tree, prickly ash, spicebush, redbay, sassafras   |
| Giant Swallowtail         | citrus, rue, prickly ash, hop tree   |
| Pipevine Swallowtail      | pipevine   |
| Checkered White           | mustard, Virginia peppergrass  |
| Orange Sulphur            | loco weed, wild blue indigo, bluebonnet, white sweet clover, bean, rattlebush  |
| Southern Dogface          | dalea, false indigo, alfalfa, white clover, kidneywood, Lindheimer scarlet pea   |
| Cloudless Sulphur         | partridge pea, Lindheimer senna  |
| Sleepy Orange             | Lindheimer senna   |
| Dainty Sulphur            | tickseed sunflower, dogweed, yellow bitterweed,  |
| Gray Hairstreak           | butterfly weed, black persimmon, lead plant, loco weed, Lindheimer scarlet pea, bluebonnet, white sweet clover, white clover, winter vetch, winecup, dollar weed, globe mallow |
| Gulf Fritillary           | passionflower  |
| Variegated Fritillary     | violets, passionflower, flax, ribwort plantain, purslane   |
| Texas Crescent            | false mint, small flower ruellia   |
| Phaon Crescent            | frogfruit  |
| Pearl Crescent            | aster  |
| Question Mark             | elm, hackberry   |
| Painted Lady              | yarrow, basket flower, common sunflower, ironweed, bluebonnet, ribwort plantain, nettles, Texas lantana  |
| Red Admiral               | nettles  |
| Common Buckeye            | Texas paintbrush, prairie paintbrush, Texas toadflax, snapdragon vine, foxglove, plantain  |
| Hackberry Emperor         | hackberry  |
| Tawny Emperor             | hackberry  |
| Little Wood-Satyr         | grasses  |
| Monarch                   | milkweeds  |
| Queen                     | milkweeds  |