

Butterfly and Hummingbird Garden at E. O. Martin Park

In 2007 the City of Brady received a grant from Texas Parks & Wildlife Department to establish a native plant area designed to attract butterflies and hummingbirds.

In 2015, Central Texas Master Gardeners Association (CTMGA) agreed to partner with the City to plant and maintain the 1100 square foot garden area at E. O. Martin Memorial Park. They obtained a grant through the Native Plant Society of Texas – Bring Back the Monarchs to Texas initiative. The goal of this program is to restore Monarch habitats in this Texas migratory flyway. CTMGA purchased and installed many native and adapted plants. The area was designated as a Monarch Waystation in 2015.

In 2016, CTMGA obtained a second grant from the Native Plant Society of Texas which has allowed the inclusion of many additional varieties of plants in the garden. These native plants also attract hummingbirds and other valuable pollinators to the area.

This pamphlet describes most of the plants that can be seen in the garden.

Open to the public.

Handicap-accessible.

Rock Rose

Pavonia lasiopetala

Classification: shrub
Color: pink
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: Apr-Nov
Water Use: low
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: moderate



Zexmenia

Wedelia acapulcensis

Classification: perennial
Color: orange, yellow
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: May-Nov
Water Use: low
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: moderate



Cherry Sage

Salvia greggii

Classification: shrub
Color: red, pink
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Mar-Nov
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: high



Texas Lantana

Lantana urticoides

Habit: Perennial Shrub
Color: Red, Orange, Yellow
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: Apr - Oct
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: high
Nectar for butterflies



Maximilian Sunflower

Helianthus maximiliani

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Yellow
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: Aug - Nov
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: moderate
Nectar for bees and butterflies
Seeds for birds



Purple Coneflower

Echinacea purpurea

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Pink, Purple
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Apr – Sep
Water Use: medium
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: no
Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds



Blackeyed Susan

Rudbeckia fulgida

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Orange, Yellow
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Jul - Oct
Water Use: moist
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: ?
Attracts birds



Mealy Blue Sage

Salvia farinacea

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Blue
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Apr - Oct
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds



Texas Sage

Leucophyllum frutescens

Habit: Perennial Shrub
Color: Pink, Purple, Violet
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: Jan - Dec
Water Use: low
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts butterflies



Coral Honeysuckle

Lonicera sempervirens

Habit: Perennial Vine
Color: Red, Yellow
Size Class: 12-36'
Bloom Time: Mar - Jun
Water Use: medium
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: ?
Attracts butterflies & hummingbirds



Antelope Horns Milkweed

Asclepias asperula

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: White, Green
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Mar - Oct
Water Use: medium
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: high
Larval host Monarchs & Queens



Frogfruit

Phyla nodiflora

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: White
Size Class: 0-1'
Bloom Time: May - Oct
Water Use: low, medium
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: moderate



Gayfeather

Liatris punctata

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Pink, Purple
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Aug - Dec
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: minimal
Attracts butterflies



Turkscap

Malvaviscus arboreus

Habit: Perennial Shrub
Color: Red
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: May - Nov
Water Use: medium
Light: shade, part shade
Deer Resistant: moderate
Attracts butterflies and hummers



Fall Aster

Symphyotrichum oblongifolium

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Purple, Violet
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Sep - Nov
Water Use: low
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: ?
Nectar source



Texas Betony

Stachys coccinea

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Red
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Mar - Oct
Water Use: medium
Light: part shade
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts hummingbirds



Butterflyweed

Asclepias tuberosa

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Orange, Yellow
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: May - Sep
Water Use: low
Light: sun
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts butterflies & hummingbirds
Larval host hairstreak, monarchs, queens



Flame Acanthus

Anisacanthus quadrifidus

Habit: Perennial Shrub
Color: Red, Orange
Size Class: 3-6'
Bloom Time: Jun - Oct
Water Use: low
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds



Mountain Laurel

Sophora secundiflora

Habit: Perennial Shrub, Tree
Color: Blue, Purple
Size Class: 12' - 36'
Bloom Time: Feb - Mar
Water Use: low, medium
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: high
Attracts butterflies



Gregg's Mistflower

Conoclinium greggii

Habit: Perennial Herb
Color: Blue, Purple
Size Class: 1-3'
Bloom Time: Mar - Nov
Water Use: medium
Light: sun, part shade
Deer Resistant: no

