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Rose / Swamp Milkweed

Asclepias incarnata

Growing Information

- Sunlight: Full sun to part shade
- Soils: Prefers moist soil, but does well in well-drained garden soil
- Bloom Time: Rose-pink; bloom time is June, July
- Size: 3-4ft in height; 2ft spread

One of the most beautiful of native perennials with clusters of upturned pink-purple flowers. Pods contain seeds with silky parachutes that are dispersed by the wind.

Garden Companions

Wild bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*), Common Boneset (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*), Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)

Nature Benefits

- Host plant and highly preferred by the monarch butterfly caterpillar
- Pollinator favorite!

Natural Habitat

Occurs in sunny openings of freshwater wetlands, stream banks and ditches.