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## Whorled Milkweed

*Asclepias verticillata*

### Growing Information

- Sunlight: Full to part sun
- Soils: Medium to Dry
- Bloom Time: July, August
- Size: 1-2 feet in height

A Cape Cod native, but rare in Massachusetts. Drought-tolerant. Leaves are narrow, needle like. It serves as a host plant for monarch caterpillars. Flowers are fragrant. Good for a low meadow setting or container planting. Like all milkweeds, produces pods with many seeds. May not flower until second year of growth.

### Garden Companions

Butterfly Milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), Black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia fulgida*), Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)

### Nature Benefits

- Attracts monarch butterflies to lay their eggs.
- Flowers attract other pollinators.

### Natural Habitat

Occurs in fields, pastures, and roadsides.

