

# Create your monarch oasis



## 1 Choose an inviting spot

Set up your garden in a quiet area that's sunny and sheltered from the wind.

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### Select a variety of plants

#### Best choice: milkweed

The sole source of food for monarch caterpillars, it is essential for their reproduction.

Butterflies feed off the nectar of flowers. Plant varieties that flower all season long and include native plants.

List of recommended plants:  
[espacepurlavie.ca/en/create-your-monarch-oasis](http://espacepurlavie.ca/en/create-your-monarch-oasis)



## 4

### Keep predators away

#### That means dogs and cats!

Butterflies don't enjoy being chased by cats and dogs.

#### Be tolerant of birds.

Monarch caterpillars and butterflies are not edible for birds. By attacking other insects, birds play a highly useful role in controlling insect populations.



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### Enjoy summer with the monarchs



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### Tend your garden in an eco-friendly way

Don't use pesticides. They can kill caterpillars and adult butterflies as well as other beneficial insects.



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### Join the *My Space for Life Garden* program

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#### WANT TO DO MORE?

Share your observations of monarch eggs, caterpillars and butterflies on [mission-monarch.org](http://mission-monarch.org)

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