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Adkins Arboretum Announces Spring Native Plant Sale—Online!

Prepare for spring in the garden! Adkins Arboretum, offering the Chesapeake gardener the best selection of landscape-ready native plants for more than two decades, announces its Spring Native Plant Sale. All proceeds benefit the Arboretum's rich variety of education programs that teach about the Delmarva's native plants and their connection to a healthy Chesapeake Bay.

To ensure the best-quality plants, sales will be conducted entirely online. Orders will be

accepted Thurs., March 3 through Thurs., March 31 at adkinsarboretum.org and will be fulfilled via timed, scheduled pickup in late April and early May.

Plants for sale include a large variety of native perennials, ferns, vines, grasses and flowering trees and shrubs for spring planting. Native flowers and trees provide food and habitat for wildlife and make colorful additions to home landscapes, whether in a perennial border, a woodland garden or a restoration project. Native honeysuckle entices



Butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) thrives in a wide variety of conditions and provides nectar for butterflies, including the monarch. Photo by Kellen McCluskey.

hummingbirds, while tall spikes of purplish flowers grace blue wild indigo. Milkweed provides critical energy for monarch butterflies on their winter migration to Mexico, and native azaleas present a veritable rainbow of colorful blooms.



As always, Arboretum members receive a generous discount on plants that varies according to membership level. To join, renew your membership or give an Arboretum membership as a gift, visit **adkinsarboretum.org** or contact Kellen McCluskey at **kmccluskey@adkinsarboretum.org**.

For more information on plants, purchasing or pickup procedures, visit **adkinsarboretum.org**, send email to **nativeplants@adkinsarboretum.org** or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. For more information, visit **adkinsarboretum.org** or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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