Butterfly Weed
Asclepias tuberosa L. ssp. tuberosa

Family: Asclepidaceae
Habitat: Sandy soils, upland woods, dry fields
Color: Orange
Height: 1-3 ft
Exposure: Sun
Bloom Dates: June-July
Soil Moisture: Well-drained
Soil Quality: Average
Garden Uses: Butterfly gardens, rock gardens, meadows. Showy flower for borders.
Notes: Should not be mulched. Do not overwater. Has been observed growing in clay soils. Requires a minimum of 6 hours of sun. This plant is a food source for the Monarch butterfly larva.

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