### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Many butterflies and moths rely on certain host plants to ensure the survival of their species. This is because their larvae (caterpillars) are uniquely adapted to consume the leaves of a vey specific plant or plant family! They do not recognize exotic ornamentals as a food source.

No food for caterpillars means the loss of our butterflies and moths!



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"We live in a fragmented land where critical habitat areas are shrinking by the day. It is more important now than ever before to provide a haven where wildlife can find food, shelter, and safely raise their young.

Together, we can make their world a better place... one native plant at a time."

> - Kelly Strope Arcadia Natives, Owner



# WAYS TO BRING NATURE INTO YOUR OWN BACKYARD





Lawn chemicals
(herbicides & pesticides)
can cause harm to pets,
people, and wildlife. From
baby birds that are fed
contaminated insects to
mammals that consume
worms & seeds.



#### **FEED THE BIRDS**



did you know that our feathered friends appreciate the seeds and nutritious berries that native plants provide? Non-native berries from exotic plants are often nutritionally inadequate and cannot sustain migratory birds for their long journeys.

## Bird feeders are great, but

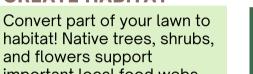
Choosing straight native plant species for your landscape will help sustain our dwindling insect populations. Double flowering hybrids can make accessing nectar or pollen nearly impossible. Some cultivars are not attractive to bees & butterflies at all. Always do your research!

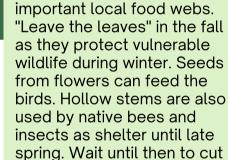
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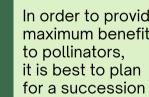


## **CREATE HABITAT**









and pollen is provided from





## back dead flower stalks.

#### **AVOID PESTICIDES**











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**Big Difference** 

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