



Description

With its striking bright orange flowers, this North American and Mid-Atlantic native is a great accent plant. It is a host plant for monarch butterfly larva and helps increase the biodiversity on a green roof.

Like most perennials, this plant will benefit from growing in a deeper soil profile, or, where the green roof media has been mounded. It will need regular water to become established. A wonderful accent plant, this species will add height and color to the green roof plant palette.

Profile

- **Botanical Name:** *Asclepias tuberosa*
- **Family:** Asclepidaceae
- **Plant Type:** Hardy Perennial
- **Plant Usage:** Accent
- **Hardiness Zone:** 3-9
- **Foliage Color:** Green
- **Flower Color:** Orange
- **Bloom Time:** Midsummer
- **Winter Interest:** Seed stalks
- **Height:** 24"
- **Spread:** 18"
- **Light Requirement:** Full Sun
- **Origin:** Eastern and Southern United States
- **Self Sowing:** A little
- **Shade Tolerant:** No
- **Substitutes:** [Ipomopsis rubra](#), [Sedum aizoon](#),