

## **Attracting Beneficial Insects**





Certain beneficial insects prey on nasty bugs that chew ornamental and edible garden plants.

## The garden helpers you will want to attract:

Assassin bugs Lacewings

Big eyed bug Syrphid flies (Hover flies)

Damsel bug Tachinid flies

Dragonflies Soldier bugs (Stink bugs)
Ground Beetles Wasps (Ichenumonid,

Lady Beetles (ladybugs) Braconid)

Plants that attract beneficial insects (All flowers, especially the following):

**Alyssum Fennel** Aster Goldenrod Black-eyed Susan Herbs Blanket Flower (Gaillardia) Hyssop **Butterfly Weed** Lovage Candytuft Marigold Monarda Caraway Mustard Clover Coneflower **Nasturtium** 

Coreopsis Queen Anne's Lace

Coriander Scabiosa
Cosmos Sunflower
Daisy Tansy
Dill Yarrow

## Water sources

Set up birdbaths or shallow dishes of water here and there in the garden. Place sticks and rocks in the water so that insects have a place to perch while they drink. Change the water every two or three days so mosquitoes won't breed.

To attract and maintain colonies of beneficial insects, minimize or avoid the use of chemicals in the garden.

"Let's Grow Green Together"





