

Ice Ballet Butterfly Weed



Asclepias incarnata 'Ice Ballet'

- **Use:** Plants are deer resistant and heat tolerant, too. They have small, curiously shaped blooms that appear in dense clusters. These plants provide nourishment for Monarch butterflies through all their life stages, and are essential for their survival.
- **Exposure/Soil:** They should be grown in well-drained soil in full sun. Use slow release or water soluble fertilizer. Must have good drainage! Plants need full sun and will grow in heavy, wet soil, but they don't require it.
- **Growth:** Reaches 3 to 5 ft. tall and 2 to 3 ft. wide
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-9; Perennial. Very heat tolerant! Mulch around plant in the winter.
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. This species has narrow 6 inch long lance-shaped leaves.
- **Flower:** A white selection of our native Swamp Milkweed, 'Ice Ballet' produces large clusters of tiny white blooms, each resembling a member of the corps de ballet in Swan Lake. They appear in midsummer in stark contrast to the rich green foliage. Plants are deer resistant and heat tolerant, too. The vanilla-scented flowers last well in water and attract butterflies and hummingbirds.



**Bring back the Butterflies!
We love them for their long lasting
blooms and strength. A must have
for Monarchs to lay their eggs!**