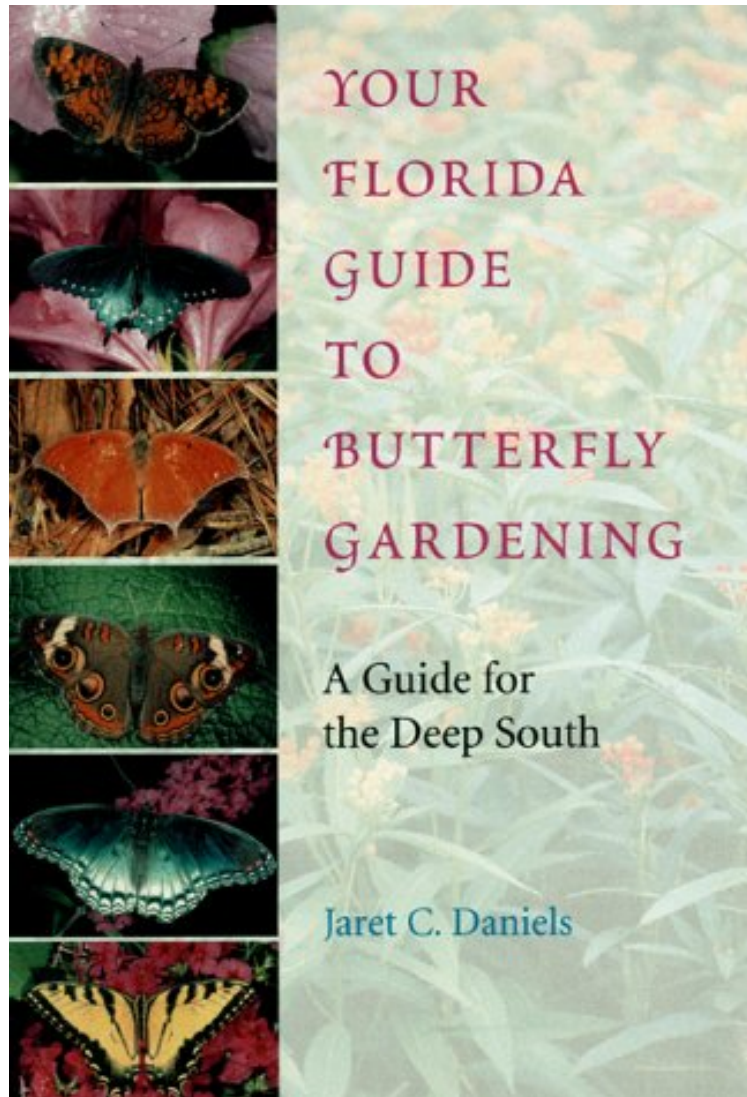


# Your Florida Guide to Butterfly Gardening: A Guide for the Deep South

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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Overall the book has good information, but I noticed it lists a plant ...By ScottOverall the book has good information, but I noticed it lists a plant that is not recommended in Florida landscapes. It lists "Mexican Petunia" (Ruellia Simplex) as a good plant to use in a butterfly garden, but this plant is a

category 1 invasive plant in Florida. Cat 1 invasive plants should never be introduced into your Florida landscape because they can be very aggressive and crowd out native plants. I've personally never seen a single butterfly use this plant for nectar or as food source for caterpillars.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful ButterfliesBy Nature DivaGreat, in-depth book with everything you need to know to design and maintain your own butterfly environment in your own backyard! Having just moved to South Florida from Pennsylvania, I wasn't even familiar with the types of flowers and foliage down here. This book explains not just what flowers are butterfly attractors, but also the trees and shrubs necessary for the pupae, larvae, etc. It includes sketches of sample gardens, which plants work in shade, and which in sun. There's an entire chapter on the different butterflies in Florida with full color photos, and what plants for each one. I highly recommend this book if you want to be the "butterfly home" of your community.3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Perfect, easy guide specific to my areaBy larisa zadoreckyThis guide is very direct and simple to use. The thing I loved compared to some of the other books that I have seen is that it shows caterpillar photos along with photos of the butterflies so you can easily identify them. For someone starting a butterfly garden, it's great because it provides simple garden designs using plants that are pretty easy to find in the area.The book is very straightforward and easy and a perfect first butterfly book.

This colorful illustrated guide shows you how simple it can be to start a butterfly garden today!The book, the third in the popular Your Florida Guide series, offers a thorough look at Floridas most important butterflies and the plants they prefer for food, shelter, and egg laying. The guide helps you select plants for a yard where butterflies can live and return year after year. It includes planting diagrams, easy one-day container projects, and full garden layouts designed for each of Floridas three major growing zones and suitable for gardens throughout the Deep South.The author, an avid lepidopterist, persuaded his household to allow their garage to become a butterfly farm and raised many of the creatures pictured in the book. The full-color photographs, all taken by him, show butterflies, the caterpillars they develop from, food plants, host plants, and garden designs.Of special interest is a section on conservation that describes the way individuals can act locally to improve the quality and biodiversity of their environment.Jaret C. Daniels is curator of lepidoptera for Butterfly Kingdom Conservatory in Hilton Head, South Carolina. Formerly the manager of the Boender Endangered Species Laboratory at the University of Florida, Gainesville, he has written extensively on butterflies and other beneficial insects in such publications as Fine Gardening, American Butterflies, and Tropical Lepidoptera. For the past nine years he has worked on the ecology and conservation of several endangered and threatened butterfly species in Florida and the Caribbean, including the Schaus Swallowtail.