



# Creating Pollinator Habitat in Sonoran Landscapes

## Plants for Attracting Pollinators in Sonoran Landscapes:

From Tucson Audubon Society Guide to Food Rich Landscapes for Birds and People:

These plants support hummingbirds, butterflies, native solitary bees and other pollinators. Some provide food for the larval stage of butterflies and moths.

### Insect pollinated:

#### Small to Medium Shrubs

White-ball acacia *Acacia angustissima*

Sweet bush *Bebbia juncea*

Twin dropseed *Dicliptera resupinata*

Palmer mallow *Abutilon palmeri*

Fairy duster *Calliandra eriophylla*

Butterfly mist *Eupatorium greggii*

Fragrant bee brush *Aloysia gratissima*

Coursetia *Coursetia glandulosa*

Goodding's verbena  
*Glandularia gooddingii*  
(*Verbena gooddingii*)

Desert milkweed *Asclepias subulata*

Feather dalea *Dalea formosa*

Velvetpod mimosa *Mimosa dysocarpa*

Desert broom *Baccharis sarothroides*

Brush dalea *Dalea pulchra*

Desert senna *Senna covesii*

#### Vines

Queen's wreath *Antigonon leptopus*

Virgin's bower *Clematis drummondii*

Arizona passion flower  
*Passiflora arizonica*

Southwest pipevine  
*Aristolochia watsonii*

## **Hummingbird pollinated:**

### **Trees**

Desert willow *Chilopsis linearis*

### **Large Shrubs**

Wolfberries *Lycium* spp.

### **Small to Medium Shrubs**

Desert honeysuckle  
*Anisacanthus thurberi*

Fairy duster *Calliandra eriophylla*

Parry penstemon *Penstemon parryii*

Flame anisacanthus  
*Anisacanthus quadrifidus*  
var. *wrightii*

Chuparosa *Justicia californica*

Firecracker penstemon  
*Penstemon eatonii*

Smooth bouvardia *Bouvardia glaberrima*

Red justicia *Justicia candicans*

Hummingbird trumpet  
*Zauschneria latifolia* (Z. *californica*)

Mexican honeysuckle  
*Justicia spicigera*

### **Cacti, Succulents, Yuccas, Other Accent Plants**

Ocotillo *Fouquieria splendens*

### **Vines**

Snapdragon vine *Maurandya antirrhiniflora*

## **Night pollinated:**

### **Small to Medium Shrubs**

Sundrops *Calylophus hartwegii* (sphinx moth larval source)

Sacred datura *Datura wrightii* (sphinx moth)

Tufted evening primrose  
*Oenothera caespitosa* (sphinx moth)

### **Cacti, Succulents, Yuccas, Other Accent Plants**

Palmer agave *Agave palmeri* (bat)

Shin dagger *Agave schottii* (bat)

Saguaro *Carnegiea gigantea* (bat and bird)

Night-blooming cereus  
*Peniocereus greggii* (sphinx moth)