Native Plant of the Year:
Swamp Milkweed
*Asclepias incarnata*

**Unique Characteristics**
Naturally found in low spots or moist areas in full sun, milkweed is also adaptable to drier conditions. The bright pink flowers are attractive from July to September.

*This plant is recommended for landscapes prone to deer damage.*

**Plant type:** herbaceous perennial

**Native range:** widely distributed across United States and Canada

**Sun:** full sun

**Water:** medium to wet

**Soil:** medium to wet soils; tolerates clay soil

**pH:** 5 to 8

**Height:** 4 to 5 feet

**Wildlife:** important food source for numerous native pollinators; host plant for the caterpillar of the monarch butterfly

**Hardiness zones:** 3 to 6

**Bloom time:** July to September

**Bloom color:** pink, white

**Uses:** rain gardens; is a good component of wildlife seed mixes when combined with native grasses and wildflowers