

Tropical milkweed



Monarch butterflies Eat this plant when they have parasites.

And when they lay eggs they lay them on tropical milkweeds.





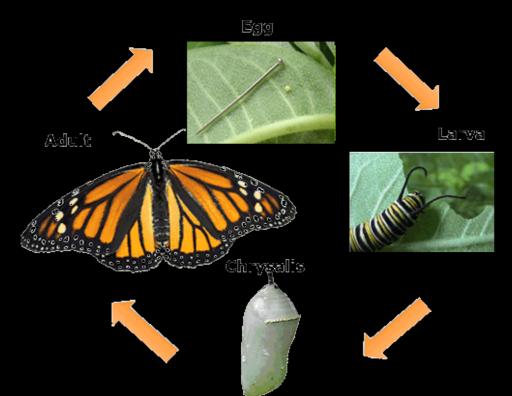
Monarch butterflies that don't have parasites eat this plant. And lay there eggs here.







Dr Hunter and dr deroode put Monarch butterflies with parasites in a room with swamp milkweeds and tropical milkweeds. All of the monarch butterflies with OE picked the tropical milkweed.



In the USA, adult monarchs live 2-6 weeks if they are in the first 3 generations of butterflies in the year. The 4th generation can live up to eight months because they have to do a long migration.