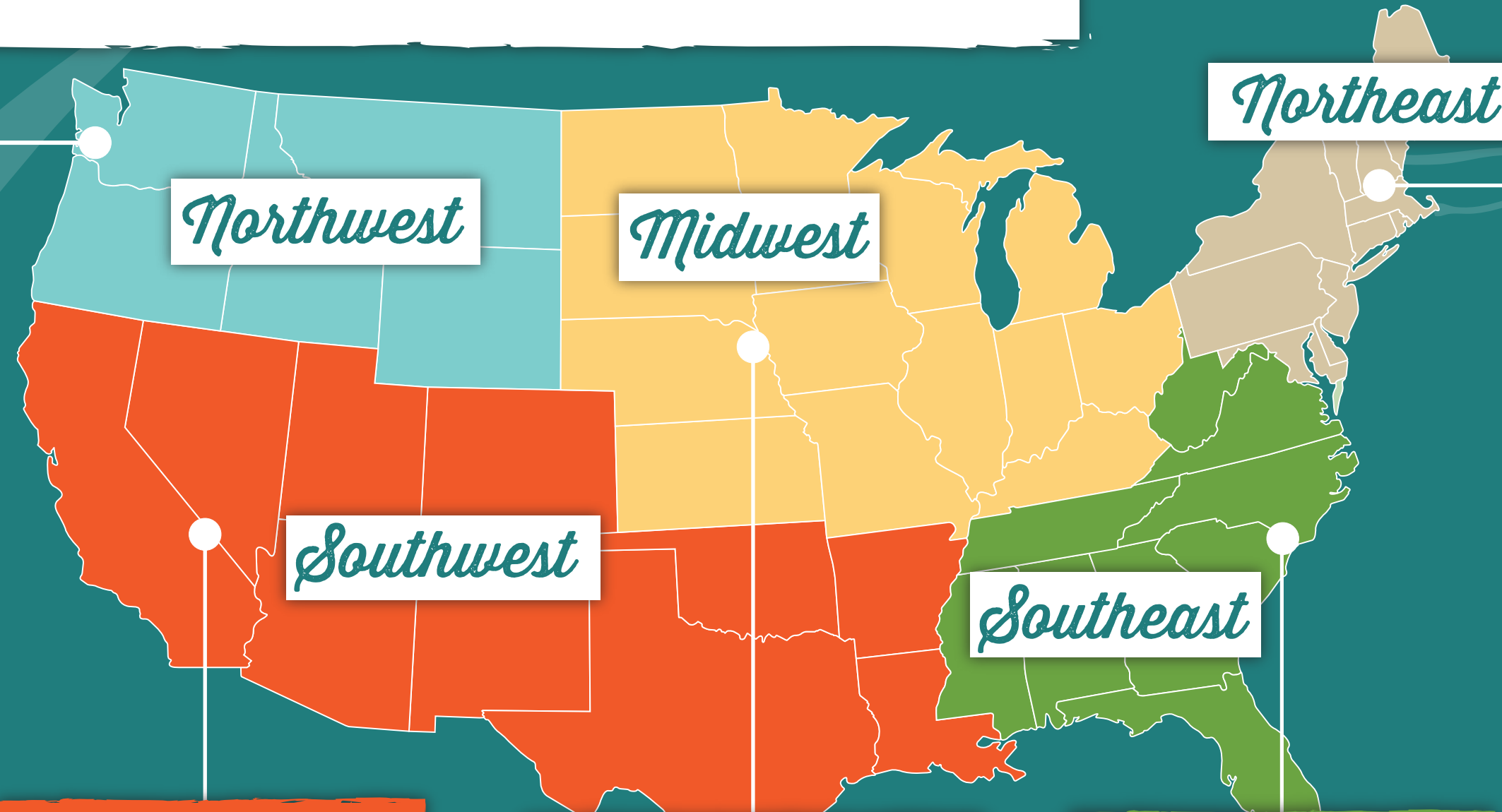


Parks for Pollinators

Parks play an important role in providing habitat for pollinator species across the country. But parks can't do it alone. Help us restore habitat for pollinators by learning which native plants are best for your area. Then, get outside and exercise your green thumb!



Fireweed
Chamerion angustifolium

Attracts: Native Bees, Honeybees, Hummingbirds and Moths.

Characteristics: Grows 2'-8' high. Spectacular purple, sometimes pink flowers. Grows especially after wildfires.

Needs: Full sun, wet to dry soils.



Western Yarrow
Achillea millefolium

Attracts: Bees.

Characteristics: Grows 1'-2' high, distinctive crown of white flowers. Abundant in meadows, fields and prairie.

Needs: Full sun, grows in all soils, even disturbed soils.



Photo by Art Davis

Common Milkweed
Asclepius syriaca

Attracts: Monarch Butterflies (essential to migration cycle).

Characteristics: Grows 3'-4' high, pink to lavender flowers. Grows almost anywhere.

Needs: Full sun to partial sun. Wide variety of soil types.



Photo by Wendy Caldwell

Joe-Pye Weed
Eutrochium spp.

Attracts: Butterflies.

Characteristics: Grows 4'-7' high, large and robust. Best on roadsides, meadows or gardens.

Needs: Partial sun, moist soils, tolerates shade.



Butterfly Weed
Asclepius tuberosa

Attracts: Bees, Butterflies, Hummingbirds.

Characteristics: Grows 1'-3' high, easy to propagate from seed. Fiery color.

Needs: Full sun, prefers well-drained soils, tolerates drought and low water.

