

# Western Monarch Milkweed Mapper

Live in the western United States? Submit photo observations to improve scientific understanding of monarchs and their habitat!

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## Join the Project

Search for “Western Monarch Milkweed Mapper” on [iNaturalist.org/projects](https://www.inaturalist.org/projects) (under ‘Projects’ in app), click ‘Join’.

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## Find Milkweed and Monarchs

Look for monarchs (*Danaus plexippus*) and milkweed plants (*Asclepias spp.*) in gardens, parks, open spaces, and other natural areas.



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## Take Photos

Snap several clear photographs to document what you see. Take close up *and* wide shot photos.

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## Upload Your Observations

Upload your photos to the iNaturalist app. Make sure the location is recorded accurately.



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## Tag the Project

Before submitting, check that the project is selected. Answer any associated questions that pop up.