

## Planting and Care of Milkweeds

1. Dig a hole as deep as the pot but at least twice as wide.

2. Gently remove the plant (gently squeeze sides of pot and lift plant out by base of stem) - (or see if it will tip out into your hand and you can cradle the root ball.

3. Place the plant in the hole so that the base of the stem is just slightly above ground.

You may have to make

the hole a little shallower—just push some the dirt back into to raise the bottom.

4. Gently pack the dirt you dug out back around your plant.

5. Gently water in (I like to use a watering can), and I recommend you add a liquid seaweed/kelp fertilizer to the water. Milkweeds shouldn't need any fertilizer after initial planting.

6. A new plant needs a little TLC until it's established, so keep an eye on it, and water it well, at least once a week (unless we get a good rain (1/2" or more), then you can skip it).

7. Notes on milkweeds: Milkweeds can be finicky transplants; they may die back after transplanting, but mark the spot where you planted it, because you may see it appear next spring.

