Dutchman's Woolly Pipevine

Aristolochia tomentosa



A. tomentosa is a <u>woody, deciduous, twining vine</u> with heart-shaped, densely-overlapping leaves that can quickly cover a trellis or arbor. This is one of THE preferred **host plants** for the pipe vine swallowtail butterfly. Needs rich, moist soil. Like other host plants, it will be devoured to the stems by the pipe vine caterpillars – but, will quickly leaf out again for the next round of visitors. Sun to part shade. Native to many parts of the US. A must for every butterfly garden. Flowers resemble small, woolly Dutch smoking pipes – however, they are somewhat inconspicuous because the dense foliage normally hides them.