

Common milkweed

Asclepias syriaca

- Stem :** downy, usually single, 90 to 120 cm tall. Underground stems.
- Flowers :** pale pink or mauve, arranged in almost spherical umbels.
- Leaves :** broad and thick, 10 to 20 cm long, arranged in opposite pairs on the stem and with pubescent undersides.
- Fruit :** large spindle-shaped fruit, bumpy, rough and downy.
- Habitat :** poor, dry soil, disturbed, sunny sites.
- Distribution :** Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, New-Brunswick, Nova-Scotia, Prince-Edward-Island



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