

Caterpillar Food Plants for the Lower Rio Grande Valley

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Plant Family*	Scientific Name	Common Name	Sun Pref.	Nectar Quality	Bloom Period	Caterpillar Food Plant For:** (some Adult Nectar Plants are included as well)
Acanthaceae - Acanthus Family						
	<i>Anisacanthus wrightii</i>	Flame Acanthus				Crescents Crimson Patch***
	<i>Dicliptera vahliana</i>	Dicliptera	Pt. Shade	Fair	Spring	Banded Peacock, Rosita Patch, Texan & Pale-banded Crescent
	<i>Dyschoriste (1) sp.</i> ****	Snakeherb			Sp-Sum	Common Buckeye
	<i>Justicia (Siph) pilosella</i>	Tube Tongue	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Tiny & Elada Checkerspot, Vesta Crescent
	<i>Justicia (3) spp.</i>	Water Willow	Pt. Shade	Good	Sum-Fall	Malachite, Banded Peacock
	<i>Ruellia nudiflora</i>	Common Wild Petuna	Pt. Shade	Fair	Sum-Fall	Common & Mangrove Buckeyes
	<i>Ruellia runyonii</i>	Runyon's Wild Petuna	Pt. Shade	Fair		Common Buckeye
	<i>Ruellia (2) spp.</i>	Wild Petuna	Pt. Shade	Fair		Malachite, White & Banded Pea., Texan & Pale-banded Crescent
	<i>Stenandrium (1) sp.</i>	Shaggytuft			Sp-Fall	Definite Patch
Aizoaceae - Carpet Weed Family						
	<i>Trianthema portulacastrum</i>	Horse Purslane			Sum-Fall	Western Pygme-Blue
Amaranthaceae - Amaranth Family						
	<i>Achyranthus aspera</i>	Chaff Flower		Poor	Sum-Fall	Mazan's Scallopwing
	<i>Amaranthus hybridus</i>	Green Amaranth	Full Sun	Poor	Sp-Fall	Common Sootywing
	<i>Amaranthus spinosus</i>	Spiny Pigweed	Full Sun	Poor	Sum-Fall	Common Sootywing
	<i>Amaranthus (8) spp.</i>	Careless Weed	Full Sun	Poor	All Year	Mazan's Scallopwing, Common Sootywing
	<i>Celosia (1) sp.</i>	Cleosia			Sum-Fall	Common Sootywing
	<i>Salicornia (2) spp.</i>	Glasswort	Full Sun			Western Pygmy-Blue
	<i>Suaeda torreyana</i>	Sea Blight (!)	Full Sun		Summer	Western Pygmy-Blue
Amaryllidaceae - (Yucca) Amaryllis Family						
	<i>Polianthes (2) sp.</i>	Huaco	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Manfreda Giant-Skipper
	<i>Yucca treculeana</i>	Spanish Dagger	Full Sun		Spring	Yucca Giant-Skipper
Apiaceae - Parsely Family						
	<i>Anethum graveolens</i>	Dill				Black Swallowtail
	<i>Apium (1) sp.</i>	Marsh Parsley	Full Sun			Black Swallowtail
	<i>Daucus pusillus</i>	Rattlesnake Weed	Full Sun			Black Swallowtail
	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Common Fennel				Black Swallowtail
	<i>Spermolepis (1) sp.</i>	Scale Seed	Full Sun			Black Swallowtail

Aristolochiaceae - Pipe Vine Family

<i>Aristolochia marshii</i>	Pipe Vine	Full Sun		Spring	Pipevine & Polydamus Swallowtail, Cattle Heart
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Asclepiadaceae - Milkweed Family

<i>Asclepias curassavica</i>	Mexican Milkweed	All Cond.	Good	Sp-Fall	Queen, Monarch & Tiger Mimic-Queen
<i>Cynanchum (2) spp.</i>	Climbing Milkweed	Shade		Sp-Fall	Queen & Soldier
<i>Matelea reticulata</i>	Pearl Milkweed	Shade	poor	Sp-Fall	Queen & Monarch
<i>Sarcostemma cynanchoides</i>	Climbing Milkweed	All Cond.		Sum-Fall	Queen, Soldier & Monarch

Asteraceae - Sunflower Family

<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	Giant Ragweed		Poor	Sum-Fall	Bordered Patch
<i>Aster (2) spp.</i>	Asters	Full Sun	Good	Sum-Fall	Pearl & Tawny Crescent
<i>Baccharis glutinosa</i>	Sleepwillow		Good		Fatal Metalmark
<i>Centaurea (1) sp.</i>	Basket Flower	Part/Full	Good	Sp-Sum	Painted Lady
<i>Cirsium texanum</i>	Texas Thistle	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Sum	Painted Lady
<i>Erigeron (2) spp.</i>	Flea Bane	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Sum	Pearl Crescent
<i>Eupatorium azureum</i>	Blue Mistflower	Part/Full	Fair	Spring	Adult Nectar Source - All species of Eupatorium should be tried
<i>Eup. betonicifolium</i>	Betony Mistflower	Part/Full	Fair	Sp-Fall	Rounded Metalmark
<i>Eup. compositifolium</i>	Yankee Weed			Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Eupatorium greggii</i>	Gregg's Mistflower	Part/Full	Excel	Sp-Fall	Rawson's Metalmark
<i>Eupatorium havanense</i>	Havana Snakeroot				Rawson's Metalmark
<i>Eupatorium incarnatum</i>	White Mistflower	Part/Full	Excel	Fall-Wint	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Eupatorium odoratum</i>	Crucita	Pt/Full Sun	Excel	Fall-Wint	Rounded Metalmark
<i>Gnaphalium (1) sp.</i>	Cudweed	Full Sun	Poor	Spring	American Lady
<i>Helianthus annulus</i>	Common Sunflower	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Bordered Patch
<i>Mikania (1) sp.</i>	Climbing Hemp Weed	Full Sun		Sum-Fall	Tropical Greenstreak
<i>Palafoxia (1) sp.</i>	Palafoxia	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Dainty Sulphur
<i>Senecio confusum</i>	Mexican Love Vine	Full Sun	Excel		Adult Nectar Source - Especially Queens
<i>Senecio spp.</i>	Senecio	Full Sun	Excel		Adult Nectar Source - All species of Senecio should be tried
<i>Verbesina encelioides</i>	Cowpen Daisy	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Bordered Patch
<i>Viguiera stenoloba</i>	Golden Eye Daisy	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source

Boraginaceae - Borage Family

<i>Cordia boissieri</i>	Wild Olive	Full Sun	Excel	All Year	Adult Nectar Source
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Brassicaceae - Mustard Family

<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>	Lentejilla	Full Sun	Poor	mostly Sp.	Checkered & Great Southern White
<i>Lepidium (2) spp.</i>	Peppergrass	Full Sun	Poor		Falcate Orangetip
<i>Sisymbrium (2) spp.</i>	Rocket Mustard				Falcate Orangetip

Bromeliaceae - Pineapple Family

<i>Tillandsia (3) spp.</i>	Spanish or Ball Moss	Part Sun	Poor		Red-bordered Metalmark
Capparidaceae - Caper Family					
<i>Capparis (1) sp.</i>	Caper			Sp-Sum	Giant & Florida White
Chenopodiaceae - Goosefoot Family					
<i>Atriplex semibaccata</i>	Australian Saltbush	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Western Pygmy Blue
<i>Atriplex (7) spp.</i>	Saltbush	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Common & Saltbush Sootywing, W. Pygmy-blue
<i>Chenopodium ambrosioides</i>	Mexican Tea	Full Sun		All Year	Mazan's Scallopwing & Common Sootywing
<i>Chenopodium berlandieri</i>	Pitseed Goosefoot	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Common Sootywing
Convolvulaceae - Morning Glory Family					
<i>Ipomoea (9) spp.</i>	Morning Glory	Full Sun		all year	Purplish-black Skipper, Morning Glory Pellicia
Crassulaceae - Stonecrop Family					
<i>Sedum texanum</i>	Stonecrop	Full Sun		Winter	Xami Hairstreak
Cycadaceae - Cycad Family					
<i>Zamia loddigesii</i>	Cycad	Full Sun	poor		Mexican Cycadian
Euphorbiaceae - Spurge Family					
<i>Bernardia myricaefolia</i>	Oreja de Raton	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Lacey's Scrub-Hairstreak
<i>Croton capitatus</i>	Woolly Croton	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Goatweed Leafwing
<i>Croton humilis</i>	Croton	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Tropical Leafwing
<i>Croton soliman</i>	Croton	Full Sun	Fair	Spring	Tropical Leafwing
<i>Croton (9) spp.</i>	Croton	Full Sun	Fair	All Year	Leafwings, Starred Skipper
<i>Tragia glanduligera</i>	Noseburn	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Common Mestra, Red Rim
<i>Tragia ramosa</i>	Noseburn			Sp-Fall	Blue-Eyed Sailor, Common Mestra, Red Rim
<i>Dalechampia</i>	Dalechampia				Mexica Bluewing, Common Mestra, Crackers
Fabaceae - Legume Family					
<i>Acacia berlandieri</i>	Guajillo	Full Sun	Excel	Spring	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Acacia greggii</i>	Catclaw Acacia	Full Sun		Sp-Summ	Marine Blue
<i>Acacia (4) spp.</i>	Acacia	Full Sun		Sp (Sum)	Rekirt's & Ceraunus Blue, Mexican Yellow
<i>Astragalus (4) spp.</i>	Vetch	Full Sun		Sp (Summ)	Ceraunus, Marine & Rekirt's Blue
<i>Bauhinia mexicana</i>	Orchid Tree	Full Sun	Good		Tailed Aguna, Long-tailed Skipper, Gilbert's Flasher
<i>Caesalpinia mexicana</i>	Mexican Caesalpinia	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Sum	Curve-winged Mm., Apricot Sul,
<i>Cassia fasciculata</i>	Partridge Pea	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	Cloudless Sulphur, Little Yellow
<i>Cassia lindheimeriana</i>	Lindheimer Senna	Full Sun		Sum-Fall	Sleepy Orange
<i>Cassia (4) spp.</i>	Senna	Full Sun		Sum-Fall	Ceraunus Blue, Angled-Sulphurs, Satira, Broken Silverdrop
<i>Centrosema virginiana</i>	Butterfly Pea	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Funereal Duskywing
<i>Chamaecrista flexuosa</i>	Texas Senna	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	Tailed Orange

<i>Coursetia axillaris</i>	Baby Bonnets	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Southern Dogface
<i>Crotolaria incana</i>	Rattlepod	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Cassius Blue
<i>Dalea pogonathera</i>	Bearded Dalea			Win-Sum	Rekirt's Blue, So. Dogface
<i>Dalea (6) spp.</i>	Dalea				Marine Blue
<i>Desmanthus virgatus</i>	Wild Tantan			Sp-Fall	Mimosa Yellow
<i>Desmanthus (1) sp.</i>	Bundleflower				Rekirt's Blue, Little Yellow
<i>Eysenhardtia Texana</i>	Texas Kidneywood	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Southern Dogface
<i>Galactia (2) spp.</i>	Milkpea			Sp-Su (Fa)	Marine & Cassius Blue
<i>Indigofera miniata</i>	Scarlet Pea	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Rekirt's & Cassius Blue, Funereal Duskywing
<i>Indigofera suffruticosa</i>	Indigo	Full Sun		Sum-Fall	False Duskywing
<i>Mimosa malacophylla</i>	Raspilla	Full Sun		All year	Gray Ministreak
<i>Mimosa pigra</i>	Zarza	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Mimosa Skipper
<i>Mimosa (1) sp.</i>	Powderpuff	Full Sun		sp-Sum	Mimosa Yellow
<i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>	Retama	Full Sun		Sp-Summ	Clench's Greenstreak
<i>Phaseolus atropurpureus</i>	Bean/Frijole	Full Sun		Spring	Ceraunus, Marine & Cassius Blue, Falcate Skipper
<i>Pithecellobium flexicaule</i>	Ebony	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Cassius Blue, White Angled-Sulphur, Coyote Skipper
<i>Pithecellobium dulce</i>	Guamuchil	Full Sun			Red-bordered Pixie
<i>Prosopis glandulosa</i>	Honey Mesquite	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Summ	Marine Blue, Long-tailed Skipper
<i>Prosopis reptans</i>	Screwbean Mesquite	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Clytie Ministreak, Tailed Orange, Blue Metalmark
<i>Rhynchosia minima</i>	Snout Bean	Full Sun		All year	Ceraunus Blue, Mercurial Skipper
<i>Rhynchosia senna</i>	Snout Bean	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	White-striped Longtail
<i>Senna corymbosa</i>	Argentine Senna	Full Sun	Fair		Cloudless Sulphur
<i>Senna lindheimeriana</i>	Coffee Senna	Full Sun		Sum-Win	Orange-barred & Boisduval's Sulphur, Mottled Longtail
<i>Senna obtusifolia</i>	Sickle Pod	Full Sun		Sum-Fall	Cloudless Sulphur
<i>Sesbania drummondii</i>	Rattlebush	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	Funereal Duskywing
<i>Schrankia (1) sp.</i>	Sensitive Brier	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Teleus & Plain Longtail
<i>Tephrosia lindheimeri</i>	Hoary Pea	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	White-striped Longtail
<i>Vicia (1) sp.</i>	Vetch	Full Sun		Spring	Funereal Duskywing
<i>Vigna (1) sp.</i>	Wild Cowpea			All year	Mercurial Skipper, Long-tailed Skipper

Lamiaceae - Mint Family

<i>Salvia ballotiflora</i>	Shrubby Blue Sage	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Salvia coccinea</i>	Scarlet Sage	Full Sun	Good	All Year	Adult Nectar Source

Lauraceae - Laurel Family

<i>Litsea sp.</i>					Three-tailed Swallowtail
<i>Persea americana</i>	Avocado				Victorine Swallowtail

Loganiaceae - Buddleia Family

<i>Buddleia davidii</i>	Butterfly Bush	Full Sun	Excel		Adult Nectar Source - Non-native
<i>Buddleia sessiliflora</i>	Butterfly Bush	Part Sun	Good		Adult Nectar Source

Loranthaceae - Mistletoe Family

<i>Phoradendron tomentosum</i>	Mistletoe			Win-Sum	Great Purple Hairstreak, Mexican Dartwhite
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Malpighiaceae - Malpighia Family

<i>Malpighia glabra</i>	Barbados Cherry	All Cond.	Fair	Sp-Fall	White-patched & Brown-banded Skipper, Cassius Blue
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Malvaceae - Mallow Family

<i>Abutilon hypoleucum</i>	Rio Grande Abutilon	Full Sun		Spring	Laviana White-Skipper
<i>Abutilon incanum</i>	Indian Mallow	Full Sun	Good	All Year	White Scrub-Hairstreak, Texas Powdered & Common Streaky Skip.
<i>Abutilon wrightii</i>	Wright's Indian mallow	Full Sun	Good	Sum-Fall	White Scrub-Hairstreak, Texas Powdered Skipper
<i>Abutilon (5) spp.</i>	Abutilon	Full Sun	Good	All Year	Mallow Scrub-Hair, Erichson's White-Skipper
<i>Herissantia crispa</i>	Bladdermallow	Full Sun		All Year	Erichson's White-Skipper
<i>Hibiscus cardiophyllus</i>	Heart Leaf Hibiscus	Full Sun	Excel	Spring	Yojoa & Mallow Scrub-Hairstreak
<i>Malachra (1) sp.</i>	Malva de Caballo	Full Sun		All Year	Glassy-winged Skipper
<i>Malvastrum americanum</i>	Malva Loca	Full Sun		all year	Laviana White-Skipper
<i>M. coromandelianum</i>	3-Lobe False Mallow	Full Sun		all year	Red-Crescent Scrub-Hair, Tropical Checkered-Ckipper
<i>Malvaviscus arboreus</i>	Turk's Cap	All Cond.	Excel	Sp-Fall	Glassy-winged Skipper, Turk's-cap White-Skipper
<i>Pavonia lasiopetala</i>	Rose Pavonia	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Allowissadula lozanii</i>	Pseudoabutilon	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Texas Powdered Skipper, Laviana White-Skipper
<i>Sida filipes</i>	Sida			All Year	Laviana White-Skipper, Common Streaky Skipper
<i>Sida (10) spp.</i>	Sida		Fair	All Year	Mallow Scrub-Hair, Desert & Tropical Checkered-Skipper
<i>Sphaeralcea (2) spp.</i>	Globe Mallow	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	Texas Powdered Skipper, Common Streaky Skipper
<i>Wissadula amplissima</i>	Wissadula	Full Sun		Fall	Texas Powdered Skipper, Common Streaky Skipper

Moraceae - Mulberry Family

<i>Morus (1) sp.</i>	Mulberry			Win-Sp	Ruddy Daggerwing Many-banded Daggerwing
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Myrtaceae - Myrtle Family

<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Guava	Full Sun			Guava Skipper
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Passifloraceae - Passion Flower Family

<i>Passiflora filipes</i>	Spread-Lobe Passion	Pt. Shade	Fair	All Year	
<i>Passiflora foetida</i>	Corona de Cristo	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Gulf Fritillary
<i>Passiflora suberosa</i>	"Corky" Passion V	Pt. Shade	Fair	All Year	Zebra Heliconian, Gulf Fritillary
<i>Passiflora tenuiloba</i>	Slender Lobe Passion	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Fall	Gulf Fritillary, Julia Heliconian

Phytolaccaceae - Pokeweed Family

<i>Rivina humilis</i>	Pigeon Berry	All Cond.	Fair	All Year	Goodson's Greenstreak
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Piperaceae - Pepper Family

<i>Piper spp.</i>					Thoas Swallowtail
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Plantaginaceae - Plantain Family

<i>Plantago</i> (3) spp.	Plantain	Full sun	Poor	varies	Malachite, Common Buckeye
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Plumbaginaceae - Plumbago Family

<i>Plumbago scandens</i>	White Plumbago	All Cond.	Excel	Sp-Fall	Marine & Cassius Blue
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Ranunculaceae - Crowfoot Family

<i>Clematis drummondii</i>	Old Man's Beard	Full Sun	poor	Sp-Fall	Fatal Metalmark
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Rhamnaceae - Buckthorn Family

<i>Karwinskia humboltiana</i>	Coyotillo	Full Sun	good	Sp-Sum	Two-barred Flasher
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Rubiaceae - Madder Family

<i>Cephalanthus salicifolius</i>	Button-Bush	Full Sun	Excel	Sum-Fall	Adult Nectar Source - needs wet soil
<i>Randia rhagocarpa</i>	Crucillo		?	Sp-Sum	Band-celled Sister

Rutaceae - Citrus Family

<i>Citrus aurantifolia</i>	Orange	Full Sun	Good	Spring	Giant Swallowtail, Sickle-winged Skipper
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	Full Sun	Good	Spring	Broad-banded, Ruby-spotted & Thaos Sw., Sickle-winged Skipper
<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Lime	Full Sun	Good	Spring	Broad-banded Swallowtail, Sickle-winged Skipper
<i>Citrus grandis/paradisi</i>	Grape Fruit	Full Sun	Good	Spring	Giant Swallowtail
<i>Citrus spp.</i>	Citrus	Full Sun	Good	Spring	Ornithion & Ruby-spotted Swallowtail
<i>Amyris</i> (2) spp.	Torchwood	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Giant Swallowtail
<i>Helietta parvifolia</i>	Baretta	Full Sun	Fair	Sp-Sum	Giant Swallowtail
<i>Zanthoxylum fagara</i>	Colima	Full Sun	Fair	Spring	Thaos Swallowtail, Sickle-winged Skipper, Dingy Purplewing

Salicaceae - Willow Fammily

<i>Salix exigua</i>		Full Sun			Mourning Cloak & Viceroy
<i>Salix nigra</i>	Black Willow	Full Sun			Mourning Cloak & Viceroy

Sapindaceae - Soap Berry Family

<i>Cardiospermum corindum</i>	Tropical Heartseed			All Year	Silver-banded Hairstreak
<i>C. halicacabum</i>	Common Ballon Vine			All Year	Silver-banded & Red-lined Scrub-Hairstreak
<i>Cardiospermum</i> (1) sp.	Balloon Vine				Common Banner
<i>Sapindus saponaria</i>	Soapberry			Win-Sum	
<i>Serjania brachycarpa</i>	Littlefruit Slipplejack				Common Banner
<i>Urvillea</i> (1) sp.	Urvillea			Sum-Fall	Common Banner

Scrophulariaceae - Figwort Family

<i>Bacopa monnieri</i>	Water Hyssop			Sp-Fall	White Peacock
<i>Buchnera floridana</i>	Bluehearts			Sum-Fall	Common Buckeye

<i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i>	Cenizo	Full Sun	Fair	after Rain	Theona Checkerspot
<i>Linaria (1) sp.</i>	Toad Flax	Full Sun		Spring	Common Buckeye
<i>Lindernia (1) sp.</i>	False Pimpernel			Sp-Fall	White Peacock
<i>Maurandya antirrhinifolia</i>	Snapdragon Vine			Sp-Summ	Common Buckeye
<i>Stemodia tomentosa</i>	Woolly Stemodia			Sp-Summ	Mangrove Buckeye
<i>Veronica (1) sp.</i>	Necklace Weed			Spring	Common Buckeye

Simaroubaceae - Quassia Family

<i>Castela (1) sp.</i>	Goat Bush				Dina Yellow
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Solanaceae - Nightshade Family

<i>Solanum (5) spp.</i>	Nightshade	Full Sun		All year	Creamy Stripe-Streak, Obscure Bolla
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Verbenaceae - Verbena Family

<i>Aloysia gratissima</i>	White Brush	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Aloysia macrostachya</i>	Sweet Stem	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Sum	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Citharexylum berlandieri</i>	Fiddlewood	Full Sun	Excel	Spring	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Lantana sp.</i>	Lantana	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source - All species of Lantana should be tried
<i>Lantana camara</i>	West India Lantana	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Lantana Scrub, Tropical Green & Red-spotted Hairstreak
<i>Lantana horrida</i>	Texas Lantana	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Lantana macropoda</i>	Desert Lantana	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source
<i>Lantana montivedensis</i>	Trailing Lantana	Full Sun	Good		Adult Nectar Source
<i>Lippia alba</i>	White Lippia	Full Sun	Good	All Year	White Peacock, Lantana Scrub-Hairstreak
<i>Lippia graveolens</i>	Scented Lippia	Full Sun	Good	Sp-Fall	White Peacock, Lantana Scrub-Hairstreak
<i>Phyla incisa</i>	Texas Frog Fruit	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	Phaon Crescent, White Peacock, Common Buckeye
<i>Phyla strigulosa</i>	Frog Fruit	Full Sun	Excel	Sp-Fall	White Peacock
<i>Priva lappulacea</i>	Common Velvet Bur	Full Sun		Sp-Fall	Potrillo Skipper
<i>Stachytarpheta urticifolia</i>	Porterweed	All Cond.	Good	Sp-Fall	Adult Nectar Source - Non-native
<i>Verbena (13) spp.</i>	Vervain	Full Sun	Good	Sp-varies	Common Buckeye, Theona Checkerspot

Ulmaceae - Elm Family

<i>Celtis laevigata</i>	Sugar Hackberry	Full Sun	sap	Spring	Eighty-eight
<i>Celtis pallida</i>	Spiny Hackberry/Granjeno			Spring	Emperors, Band-celled Sister, Question Mark, American Snout
<i>Ulmus crassifolia</i>	Cedar Elm/Olmo	Full Sun	poor	Sum-Fall	American Snout, Red-bordered Metalmark, Emperors
					Question Mark

Urticaceae - Nettle Famile

<i>Parietaria pensylvanica</i>	Pellitory			Win-Sp	Blomfild's & Karwinsky Beauty
<i>Urtica (1) sp.</i>	Nettle			Spring	Red Admiral
					Red Admiral, Question Mark

Zygophyllaceae - Caltrop Family

<i>Guaiacum angustifolia</i>	Guayacan	Full Sun		Sp-Sum	Lyside Sulphur
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****Genus (#) sp. = number of species in that genus that are present in the Rio Grande Delta, but not listed as a known host