

Asclepias purpurascens
PURPLE MILKWEED (Milkweed Family)

in the **Peacock Prairie** at the **James Woodworth Prairie Preserve**



Flowers in umbels and with their petal-like part bent downward. The distinctive flowers have five erect hoods (the corona) comprising the upper part of the flower, with a curved horn projecting from each hood. Plant of dry fields and tickets; leaf veins form nearly a right angle with the midrib. Purplish-red flowers. Hoods about $\frac{1}{4}$ " long, horns short and horizontal. Leaves egg-shaped or oblong, down beneath. 2-6' high (61-183 cm). At the Peacock/Woodworth Prairie blooms about the 1st week of June through the 1st week of July.